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'CHRISTIAN GENERAL' IS SICK

TIME TO RECOVER SUBORDINATE ACKNOWLEDGES NANKING

HIS DUTIES IN ABEYANCE?

Hankow, To-day.
Mr. T. V. Soong (Finance Minister in the National Government) arrived here yesterday afternoon.
General Han Fu-chu, the commander of the Kuomintang units which penetrated the borders of Hupeh province thereby giving rise to the rumours (since denied) that the Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang, Feng Yu-shiang (the "Christian General") was bent on invading Hankow, has also arrived here. He has officially placed himself under the orders of the National Government and declares that the "Christian General" is far from well and that it will take some time before he is able to resume his duties.—Reuter.

Still Loyal

Hankow, Yesterday.
General Feng Yu-shiang has followed up the sending of delegates to Hankow by a telegram re-iterating his loyalty to the National Government and stating that he is at present waiting for further orders.

Ma Fu-shiang (one of his delegates, who interviewed Marshal Chiang Kai-shek) is returning northward to-day.—Reuter.

Ships Resumed

Nanking, Yesterday.
Chinese steamers on the Yangtze River have resumed normal sailings and cargo is again being worked at Pukow.—British Naval Wireless.

[Both the National Government of Nanking and the Kwangsi administration formerly in Hankow seized steamers flying the Chinese flag and used them for transports in the campaign. Pukow is on the north bank of the Yangtze, opposite Nanking, and is the southern terminus of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.]

Yen Hsi-shan

Taiwan, Yesterday.
General Yen Hsi-shan has gone to Wutai to visit his father, and after a short stay is leaving for Peking, via Taiyuan.

All the national revenue collected in Shansi, Chahar and Suiyuan hereafter will be remitted direct to the Ministry of Finance, as the result of an agreement between General Yen Hsi-shan and Mr. T. V. Soong (the Finance Minister).—Reuter.

ADMIRAL OF FLEET

RETIRAL OF LORD WESTER WEMYSS

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

London, Yesterday.
Admiral of the fleet, Lord Wester Wemyss has retired, having reached the age limit.—Reuter.

A Distinguished Career

[Lord Wester Wemyss, G.C.B., K.C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O., Admiral of the Fleet was born on April 12, 1864. He is the third son of the late Mr. J. H. Erskine Wemyss of Wemyss, Fife, Scotland, and entered the Royal Navy in 1877. In 1887 he was Lieutenant, Commander in 1898; Captain in 1907; Rear-Admiral, 2nd Battalion Squadron, 1912-13; Vice-Admiral 1916; Admiral 1919. He served throughout the European War and was in command of the squadron at the landing of troops in Gallipoli in April 1915 (despatches K. C. B.). In 1916-17 he was Commander-in-Chief, East Indies and Egypt and in 1918 was a member of The War Cabinet. His decorations include the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour and the Medaille Militaire of France. In 1908, Lord Wemyss married the only daughter of Sir Robert Morier and they have one daughter. Lord Wemyss, in 1924, published "The Navy in the Dardanelles Campaign."]

M. TROTZKY

DEBARRED FROM ENTERING GERMANY

STILL IN CONSTANTINOPLE

Berlin, Yesterday.
The Cabinet has refused the request of M. Trotzky, who is now in Constantinople to enter Germany.—Reuter.

LIQUORS IN COURT

INDIAN POLICE SERGEANT IN TROUBLE

TURBAN IN A CAR

A sight which would have made Pussfoot Johnson "foam" greeted those who attended the Kowloon Court this morning. On a table and just facing the Magistrate (Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith) were two full bottles of beer and one bottle of brandy—silent supporters of allegations against Indian Police Sergeant, Barket Ali by name.

Looking at the three bottles which Barket Ali himself, standing in the dock. He was charged with (a) unlawfully misconducting himself as a police officer, and with absenting himself from duty without leave at 9.55 a.m. on Wednesday; (b) absent from Station from noon to 8.50 p.m. on the same day; and (c) being under the influence of drink in uniform at 8.50 p.m.

Case Outlined

Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, Assistant Superintendent of Police (Kowloon), in outlining the case, said that accused was stationed at the Kowloon Waterworks. With him were three Indian guards, the four being directly under the supervision of the Shamshui Police Station.

On Wednesday, Sub-Inspector Munroe telephoned to accused at 6 a.m. ordering him to do duty from 9 till 12. At about 10.55 a.m. the Sub-Inspector was proceeding to the Water Police together with Sgt. Brittain by bus, and when they came to Nathan-road and Nanking-road corner, they saw accused standing under a verandah. The Sub-Inspector had no time to stop to question accused as to why he was not then on duty.

On his return to Shamshui Police Station, the Sub-Inspector telephoned to the Waterworks to find out whether accused was on duty, receiving a reply in the negative. During the course of the day, he made several enquiries and on each occasion was told that accused had not returned.

Girl, Beer and Brandy

At 8.30 p.m. Sub-Inspector Munroe and Sgt. Brittain proceeded to the Waterworks by motor-cycle, and on arrival was told by an Indian guard that accused had as yet not returned. The two officers left and, on their way, they saw a motor-car pass them. They turned back, and when the car eventually stopped at the Waterworks, the accused alighted. A Chinese girl was also in it. A search of the vehicle revealed the three bottles mentioned above and also accused's turban.

Barket Ali then went up to his quarters and later returned, wearing one of the guards' turbans. He appeared to the officers to be drunk. His breath smelt of alcohol and his walk was unsteady. He also mumbled something in English which the officers did not understand. Accused was taken to the Water Police Station and from there to the Central Station where he was placed in custody.

His Worship asked if a case like that would not have been better if dealt with departmentally. Drunkenness could be in many degrees and in the Army the offence was looked upon in a different light. There were three charges and he did not think that he could take them cumulatively.

The Logical Sequence
Mr. Calthrop replied that accused had pleaded guilty to the third charge, which was one of being drunk, and the logical sequence to that was that if he was drunk at the time, he was not on duty, and not being on duty, he was also absent from the Station.

His Worship expressed his doubt as to whether or not he would have to strike out one or two of the charges. He felt that he could not take them cumulatively.

Evidence was then called. Sub-Inspector Munroe, in the main, corroborated the opening statement of his superior officer, but in reply to the Magistrate said that he did not think it was necessary to take accused to see a doctor.

Asked to explain the reason for his thinking so, witness said that accused at once became sober when he heard that he was to be charged. He then concluded that if taken before a doctor, the latter would not say that accused was drunk. He might probably say that he had been drinking.

His Worship asked if accused had

GENERAL WARDROP

'STEP UP' FOR NORTH CHINA'S LATE G.O.C.

NOW LIEUTENANT-GENERAL

London, Yesterday.
The War Office announces that Major-General A. E. Wardrop has been promoted Lieutenant-General a vacancy in which is occurring shortly.—Reuter.

A British Wireless message says that Major-General Wardrop, en route to England on vacating his appointment as General Officer Commanding North China, has been selected for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant-General, into a vacancy that will occur in the near future.

New Brigadier

Among those selected for promotion to the rank of Major-General, into vacancies that will occur during the next few months, is Brigadier Hildyard, at present commanding the 2nd Rhine Brigade, British Army of the Rhine.

A MISSING LADY

In a report made to the Police this morning, Mr. J. Murray, head attendant, Lunatic Asylum, Civil Hospital, stated that a Chinese-American lady named Mrs. Thomson, an inmate of the asylum, had been granted leave at 10 a.m. yesterday, and had failed to return.

Further duty to do, beside the order to be on duty from 9 to 12?

Witness replied that he would have to do another beat of three hours.

His Worship then interposed and said that if accused was not drunk, or, as the witness said, became sober at 8.55 p.m., he was therefore not unfit for further duty.

Degree of Drunkenness

Asked to cross-examine, accused stated that he had an Indian guard with him on duty that morning. At about 12 o'clock, he handed his revolver to the guard and went off to buy some vegetables. He had also signed on for duty that morning at 10.30.

Witness said that could not be possible, because he had actually seen accused in Nathan-road at 10.55. It was six miles from the Waterworks and unless accused had made the journey by motor car, he could not have signed the book at 10.30 a.m. The book, however, was not produced.

After Sgt. Brittain's evidence had been taken, His Worship decided to adjourn the case. He again asked Mr. Calthrop if it would not be better to consider carefully the following points. First, if it would not be better to have the case heard departmentally; and, secondly, to consider the cumulative effects of the three charges—(he was not sure whether he was entitled to hear the three alleged offences cumulatively or not)—and, lastly, to consider the degree of drunkenness, again emphasising that he knew something about "it" from the Army point of view. In a Civil Court, His Worship added, drunkenness had a different definition.

"Take Some Legal Advice"
His Worship reminded Mr. Calthrop of the statement made by Sub-Inspector Munroe, who said that accused did not seem to be so drunk that a doctor would testify to it. The case, on the whole, was a difficult one. "I would like to consider it, and I suggest, that you should take some legal advice."

The Magistrate further added that he was prepared to hear or dispose of one or more of the charges, and he did not see any reason why the other charges should not be disposed of departmentally.

At this stage, accused said that he would engage a solicitor.

Mr. Calthrop remarked that it was rather late for him to say that, since evidence had already been given.

His Worship: "I think it is a jolly good idea that he should have a solicitor."

Accused also asked for bail.

Mr. Calthrop said that bail had been refused him.

His Worship: What's your idea of bail, Mr. Calthrop?

Mr. Calthrop: I have no objection to bail of \$200.

His Worship: I think it is a bail-able offence, isn't it?

Mr. Calthrop: Yes, your Worship.

Bail was granted in the sum of \$200, and the case was set down for hearing on Thursday afternoon.

PESSIMISTIC VIEWS ON CHINA

AND THE OPPOSITE!

"CHINA REALLY EMERGING FROM HER CHAOS"

GENERAL DUNCAN'S OPINION

London, Yesterday.

Speaking at the banquet of the Knights of the Round Table, in the Hotel Cecil, at which the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Matsudaira was invested, as a Senior Knight, Major General Sir John Duncan referred to the pessimistic views expressed in some quarters and the fear that seemed to be entertained that civil war in China might break out again on a large scale. He, however, felt that what was now taking place was absolutely necessary and all for the benefit of unification, which must come in some future time. China had a long way to go and many difficulties to overcome, but he believed that the country was really emerging from the chaos of the last few years.—Reuter.

OUR FEATURES

To-morrow's "China Mail" will include all the usual features, including the pioneer art supplement of the Colony with pages of local pictures, women's fancies, Home pictures, and "Bringing Up Father."

Stan Hill's weekly sports cartoon will also be published. Be sure to get to-morrow's "China Mail"—out at mid-day—for the news, comment, special articles, "Is That So?" and the illustrations.

BURIED IN DEBRIS

TRAGIC AFFAIR IN DETROIT

SEQUEL TO EXPLOSION

Detroit, Yesterday.
A dozen people were buried in the debris of a four-storey warehouse in Detroit, when the building was demolished by an explosion.—Reuter.

FINE AGAIN!

This morning's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

The anti-cyclone N. or W. covers S. China and Tongking, pressure is also high to the north-east of Japan.

Depressions are situated to the north of Shantung and to the west of the Bon Ins.

Moderate monsoon will prevail over the N. China Sea.

Forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate; fine.

BRITISH TRADE

BOARD OF TRADE FIGURES FOR MARCH

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

London, Yesterday.
The Board of Trade returns for March show imports valued at £93,599,000 and exports £53,623,000.—Reuter.

SHOPKEEPER ATTACKED

Whist Ho Kau (41) a shopkeeper of No. 30, Kwong Hon Terrace, off Aberdeen-street, was walking in George's-lane last night, he was accosted by two men, one of whom threw pepper into his eyes, whilst the other knocked him to the ground.

They relieved him of a purse containing \$17.50 and decamped.

HOMEWARD BOUND

H.M.S. "Bluebell" and H.M.S. "Forerunner," the two ships returning home from the China Station, arrived at Colombo yesterday from Penang.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/11 9/16.

"SOUTHERN CROSS"

FOUND AT LAST: ALL WELL

FOOD DROPPED

Sydney, Yesterday.

Lieutenant Keith Anderson and his pilot, Robert Hitchcock, both of whom were recently engaged in litigation with the "Southern Cross" fliers, Capt. Kingsford Smith and Mr. Ulm, in connection with the Pacific flight and had been searching for the "Southern Cross" crew since April 7, are themselves now missing.

Anderson and Hitchcock should have arrived at Wyndham, in North-West Australia, yesterday evening, but nothing has been heard of them since they left Newcastle waters, 400 miles from Wyndham.

All Found

Later.
All the Southern Cross party have been found alive and well.—Reuter.

Sydney, Later.

The "Southern Cross" party was found by the aeroplane "Canberra," which dropped food.—Reuter.

MACAO'S GOVERNOR

MEETS GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF PHILIPPINES

PRESS REFERENCES

Manila, To-day.

The Governor of Macao, Senhor Artur Tamagnini Barbosa, left with his family on board the "President Monroe," after a short visit to Manila.

Although travelling unofficially, the distinguished visitor was received by Acting Governor-General Gilmore with full military honours. Senhor Barbosa could not accept an invitation to a banquet offered by the Governor-General owing to previous engagements, as different entertainments were given in his honour.

The newspapers, of all colours, published articles and pictures about Governor Tamagnini Barbosa, who left a wonderful impression in this capital.

BRITISH POLITICS

"FULL STEAM AHEAD" FOR THE LABOURITES

GREAT CRUSADE

London, Yesterday.

A "great crusade against poverty" is promised by the Labour Government in a speech by Mr. Arthur Henderson, broadcast from London. It described Labour's policy "to provide work" through large schemes of social and industrial reorganisation, national development, including housing and slum clearance, building and improving roads, bridges, harbours, docks, wharves, repairing waterways, protection of coast erosion, afforestation, land drainage, electrical development, etc., and the immediate establishment of diplomatic and commercial relations with Russia.—Reuter.

SIR LESLIE SCOTT

NOT TO SEEK RE-ELECTION AS M.P.

A BUSY CAREER

London, Yesterday.

Sir Leslie Scott, the Conservative Member for the Exchange Division of Liverpool, and Solicitor-General in the Coalition Government, has decided not to seek re-election at the forthcoming General Election on grounds of ill-health.

Sir Scott is one of the most eminent members of the Bar and his loss will be felt by his Party. His chairmanship and membership of a number of War-time Committees set up to deal with questions of reconstruction, agriculture, housing, mining, electricity, etc., indicate the part he has taken in public affairs.—British Wireless Service.

ROBBERY FROM HOTEL

A rather belated report has been made to the Police by a Chinese woman named Wong Wi-hing, that some time between 2 and 8 p.m., on Monday, whilst she was asleep in the Stag Hotel, some person stole from her room, jewellery worth \$103, \$20 in money, and clothing worth \$100.

TRAFFIC OFFENCES

AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION INTERESTED

MR. F. WILSON SUMMONED

Major C. Wilson, O.B.E., had a heavy list of traffic cases before him at the Central Magistracy, this morning.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared on the instruction of the Automobile Association to defend Mr. Fiddes Wilson, who was summoned for causing an obstruction with his car in Wong-neichong-road, near the Jockey Club's entrance.

Counsel entered a plea of "not guilty" and in view of the large number of other cases to be dealt with, His Worship fixed the hearing of this case for 2.15 p.m. on Monday.

Mr. Lo also appeared for the Indian driver of private car No. 1271 on a similar summons. This was also adjourned until Monday.

European Fined

Mr. Proulx who was summoned for a like offence committed at 6.45 a.m., on March 25, admitted guilt and was fined \$5.

The driver of motor lorry No. 157 was summoned for negligent driving in Whitfield on March 20 and for allowing two persons to sit beside him on the driver's seat.

Sergeant Brown said that the accused passed a tram car on the right hand side and then bore down on his pull cycle. He was just able to pull out of his way. When the lorry was eventually stopped he found that one of the two men riding on the driver's seat had his feet on the controls, on the left of the driver, so that the latter could not have easy access to them.

Remarking that, besides being against the regulations to have two men beside him, it also had the effect of taking accused's attention from the wheel by smoking and laughing, His Worship imposed fines of \$10 on each charge.

For the C.S.P. To Note

An Indian was summoned for driving motor cycle No. 306 in a dangerous manner.

Inspector Nicols said that the accused did 25 miles per hour in Morrison Gap-road, going in the direction of Queen's-road East, and nearly ran into a motor cycle on which he had Sgt. Melnes were riding, at the junction of Kennedy-road.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10, and directed that the attention of the C.S.P. should be directed to the matter with reference to accused's licence.

The same man was later summoned for loitering in Pedder-street with motor car No. 251, for which he was fined \$7.

Eighteen drivers of public motor cars were summoned for causing obstruction with their cars in Hill-road, Gilman-street, Des Voeux-road, and Wongneichong-road, respectively.

Those with first offences were fined \$5 each. One man who had three previous convictions was fined \$10 and warned that he would lose his licence on another conviction.

Other cases heard were for such offences as towing, loitering, parking in prohibited places and stopping in busy thoroughfares to pick up fares. These were met with fines ranging from \$5 to \$10.

One man charged with speeding was cautioned because his record had been clear hitherto, whilst two charged with driving their cars on the wrong side of the road were fined \$10 each.

A Driver Absent

When a summons against the driver of public motor No. 291, was called, a youth said that he had been sent up by the owner of the car to say that the latter had given the driver money to come to Court and answer the summons, but the driver did not attend Court and, he (the youth) did not know where he had gone to.

The Magistrate instructed the Police to find the driver and bring him to Court on Tuesday.

HIS MAJESTY

AGAIN RECEIVES DIATHERMY TREATMENT

London, Yesterday.
The King has passed a good day. In spite of the keen wind, His Majesty spent practically the whole morning sitting and walking in the grounds of Craigwell House.

During the afternoon Dr. Howitt travelled down to Bognor and applied the diathermy treatment, which the King is receiving for rheumatic trouble in the shoulder.—British Wireless Service.

PRIMATE & THE HOLY LAND

VISIT "OFF"

A "SENSATIONAL REASON" FOR ITS CANCELLATION

"JEALOUS VIGILANCE"

London, Yesterday.

A sensational reason for the revocation of the Archbishop of Canterbury's intention to visit Jerusalem during his present recuperative cruise in Mr. Pierpont Morgan's yacht, is given by the "Daily Telegraph's" ecclesiastical correspondent.

The decision is stated to have been reached following an intimation that the visit was viewed with much misgiving in the Vatican City and that the Vatican had received representations from the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Monsignor Barlassina, of a very disturbed prospect for such a visit by the Archbishop of Canterbury for the first time since the reformation.

The apprehensions are based on the existing close understanding between the Anglican communion and various Eastern Orthodox Churches, and arrangements for a ceremonious reception to His Grace.

The Roman Catholic objections are not altogether unexpected owing to the jealous vigilance for the maintenance of the status quo among religious bodies claiming rights in the Holy City.

It is stated that the matter of the visit which the Archbishop of Canterbury has carefully abandoned, was discussed at the recent conference between Sir Austen Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini.—Reuter.

"WET" U.S. LINERS

THE "LEVIATHAN" NO LONGER "DRY"

"MEDICINAL LIQUOR"

New York, Yesterday.

The sailing of the "Leviathan" yesterday under the flag of the United States Lines Incorporated, to whom the liner has been sold by the United States Shipping Board, marked the official restoration of liquor selling to American ships in the Trans-Atlantic trade.

Since 1923 ten United States Government-owned liners on the European run have been "dry," under the mandate of the Shipping Board, but all this has been abolished by an order of Mr. Joseph Sheedy, the Vice-President of the new line. The order is that the "Leviathan" can serve passengers with "medicinal liquor" after passing the 12-mile limit.

Mr. Sheedy's order has been legalised by a decision of the United States Supreme Court, under which sufficient liquor can be taken aboard at foreign ports for the return voyage.

There will be no public bars, but the passengers may have liquor sent to their staterooms, or with their meals.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. TORNADO

GREAT DAMAGE DONE TO PROPERTY

HEAVY CASUALTIES

Little Rock, Arkansas, Yesterday.

There are up to now 9 dead and 40 injured in a tornado in the district north of Newport.

It is now estimated that 29 people are dead, and scores injured in the tornado.

Several persons were picked up bodily and carried a considerable distance before being dashed to earth.

Most of the injuries, however, were caused by collapsing of houses.

The Casualties

Little Rock, Later.

Up to now these 43 dead and 100 injured have been discovered by the rescue workers who, aided by motor car head-lights, continued a search all night long over a wide area. It is expected that the casualty list will be swelled in more inaccessible parts of the State.—Reuter.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 15th day of April, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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Hong Kong, April 9, 1929.

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ANNUAL SPORTS
on Queen's College Ground
(by kind permission of the Headmaster)
at 2 p.m.
on FRIDAY, April 12th.
Old Boys' 220 yds. race about 4.30 p.m. Post Entries.
All Old Boys Cordially Invited.

NAVY LEAGUE

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above will take place on FRIDAY, 19th. Inst. at 5.30 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission).

Business:

- (1) To receive and pass accounts
- (2) To elect the committees
- (3) To transact General Business.

L. M. WHYTE,
Hon. Sec.

Hong Kong, 10th April, 1929.

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Hong Kong, April 11, 1929.

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NOTICES.**MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.****HONG KONG BRANCH.**

MEMBERS are requested to attend a Regular Monthly Meeting at the GUILD OFFICE, 67, Des Voeux Road, Central (DAVID HOUSE) on FRIDAY, 12th April, 1929, at SIX O'CLOCK p.m.

BUSINESS:—GENERAL

W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th April, 1929.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND of Five per cent. on the paid-up Capital of the Company has been declared in respect of the financial year ending 30th September, 1929, and that such dividend will be payable on MONDAY, 6th MAY, 1929, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Hong Kong.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 15th APRIL, 1929, to SATURDAY, 4th MAY, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 19th March, 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, April 13, 1929, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.45 p.m.
The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each, up to Friday, April 12, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.
Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meetings.

No children allowed in either enclosure on any pretext.
Hong Kong, April 7, 1929.

STANDARD TIME.**SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN COLONY**

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for April (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:—

April	a.m.	p.m.
12	6.05	6.42
13	6.05	6.42
14	6.04	6.43
15	6.03	6.43
16	6.03	6.43
17	6.02	6.44
18	6.01	6.45
19	6.00	6.45
20	6.00	6.46
21	5.59	6.46
22	5.58	6.46
23	5.57	6.46
24	5.57	6.47
25	5.55	6.47
26	5.55	6.48
27	5.54	6.48
28	5.53	6.48
29	5.53	6.49
30	5.52	6.49

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BRITISH LEGION.**ACTIVITIES OF THE HONG KONG BRANCH.****APPEAL TO MEMBERS**

The following report is to be submitted to the members of the British Legion at the eighth annual general meeting to be held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, at 5.15 p.m. on Thursday, April 18:—

The General Committee have to submit a balance sheet and statement of accounts for the year 1928. The amount expended on relief work during the year was \$2,605.50. Passages were provided for two men, temporary keep paid and financial assistance granted in other cases. Nine cases were assisted in all. Apart from this, \$500 was donated to the Poppy Day Fund. The Legion is now a member of the General Charities Organisation which has been formed to prevent the duplicating of assistance, and it has been found of great help when investigating cases.

During the year an appeal was made on behalf of the Earl Haig Memorial Homes and the response from members and others resulted in the sum of £37.19.7 being sent home.

The usual Poppy Day drive was organised and was quite successful, £1,747.4.5 being forwarded to the headquarters of the appeal.

Our thanks are due to Mr. W. B. Cornaby (Hon. Secretary) Mr. J. Kerr Shaw (Hon. Treasurer) and their Sub-Committee, and to the many others who assisted.

Our funds have been maintained by the annual interest from the late Sir Paul Chater's fund and a generous donation from the Hong Kong Jockey Club to whom we are most grateful. The income from members' annual subscriptions shows a further decline, and we again appeal to all to do their utmost to introduce new members. It is also unfortunate to note that many members still in the Colony have overlooked the payment of their subscriptions. It is always difficult to collect small sums and a prompt reply to the yearly reminder sent out by the Hon. Treasurer would be of great assistance to him.

Finances:—
Income
To Printing, Stationery, Advertising, Postages and Sundry Expenses \$ 112.01
To Amount expended on Ordinary Relief Work 2,605.50
To Subscription to General Charities Organisation for year 1928 100.00
To Donation to Poppy Day Fund 500.00
To The Douglas Haig Memorial Homes Fund per contra 375.00
Total \$3,692.51

Expenditure
By Subscriptions (including \$30 overdue at 31/12/23 and since collected) \$ 325.00
By Donation from Hong Kong Jockey Club 500.00
By Sir Paul Chater's Fund 1,915.31
By The Douglas Haig Memorial Homes Fund per contra 375.00
By Interest received:
On Fixed Deposits \$180.00
On Current Account 86.87 215.87
Total \$3,381.18

By Balance being surplus of Expenditure over Income for the year transferred to Surplus Account 361.33
Total \$3,692.51

Liabilities
Balance at 31/12/27 per last Account \$6,957.33
Deduct:—Deficit for year 1928 per Account of Income and Expenditure 361.33
Total \$6,596.00

Sundry Creditors 207.56
Total \$6,803.56

Assets
Sundry Debtors:—
Outstanding Subscriptions, Since collected \$ 80.00
Amount due under Sir Paul Chater's Fund since collected 1,915.31
Total \$1,995.31

Cash:—
On Fixed Deposit
4% with Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank \$4,000.00
On Current Account with Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank 884.25
In hands of Hon. Treasurer 24.00 4,888.25
Total \$5,803.25

The death has occurred of Mr. M. R. Anderson, formerly manager of Sungle Reyla Estate, Sungle Siput, and lately of Cherasene Estate, Kuala Kurau. Mr. Anderson underwent a serious abdominal operation recently from which he at first rallied but complications set in and he succumbed.

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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.
5.30-6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese Music, (Oriental Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Pleasant Co.).
7.48 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m.—Evening Programme, (Columbia Records supplied through the courtesy of Messrs. Anderson Music Co.).
"Homage," (Wagner), March.
"Daily Paskman's Radio Minstrels," Vocal.

Sir Dan Godfrey and the Symphony Orchestra.
"I Am A Lost One,"
"Frans Diemer,"
March, Zither and Piano.

"Marenka Polka,"
"Tango of the Death,"
L. Cavadias' Greek Sextette.
"Pagliacci," (Leoncavallo),
Duet: Rosetta Panpanini and Gino Vanelli.

"Sonata in F," (Handel),
Viola Solo, Lionel Tertis.
"Roll On, Thou Deep And Dark Blue Ocean,"
"Simon The Cellarer,"
Bass, Norman Allin.

"Symphony No. 34 in C," (Mozart),
Sir Thomas Beecham and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.
"Otello—Credo,"
"Ideale,"
Baritone, Riccardo Stracciari.

"On The Steppes Of Central Asia,"
Orchestra De La Societe Des Concerts Du Conservatoire, Paris.
"Quartet in E Minor," (Smetana),
Lener String Quartet.
"By The Blue Hawaiian Waters,"
"Jungle Drums,"
Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

"La Traviata," (Verdi),
"Un Ballo in Maschera," (Verdi),
Baritone, Riccardo Stracciari.
"Semiramide," (Rossini),
B.E.C.'s Wireless Symphony Orchestra.

"The Bat," (Strauss), Selection,
Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.
"Carmen," (Bizet),
Sir Henry J. Wood and the New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

10.10 a.m.—News Bulletin.
"Casse Noisette Suite,"
(Tchaikowsky),
B.E.C.'s Wireless Symphony Orch.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

The death has occurred at her residence, College Lane, Pulau Tikus, Penang, of Mrs. Scully, wife of Mr. E. E. Scully, of Messrs. Lean and Co. The funeral was largely attended.

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LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via
Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.
KITANO MARU Saturday, 20th April.
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AKI MARU Wednesday, 24th April.
KAGA MARU Wednesday, 22nd May.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.
HAKODATE MARU Saturday, 27th April.
HAKODATE MARU Wednesday, 1st May.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,
Mexico & Panama.
RAKUYO MARU Friday, 19th April.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
HAKATA MARU Monday, 6th May.

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LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.
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ALASKA MARU Friday, 19th April.
AMUR MARU Saturday, 11th May.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTIAGO, BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon, Singapore,
Colombo, Indian & Cape Town.
LAPLATA MARU Tuesday, 23rd April.
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.
CHIFUKU MARU Friday, 19th April.
HONOLULU MARU Saturday, 11th May.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUEZ & VANDERWATER—via Singapore & Colombo.
MEXICO MARU Thursday, 2nd May.
CALCUTTA—via Singapore, Penang & Panama.
BORNEO MARU Wednesday, 24th April.
SEATTLE MARU Thursday, 2nd May.
KASADO MARU Saturday, 18th May.
ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 10th April.
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai) Monday, 29th April.
MEIKONG MARU (From Manila, Batavia & Saigon)
HIMALAYA MARU Wednesday, 8th May.
BANGKOK—via Saigon.
HAI PHONG—via Hanoi.
MENDOZA MARU Thursday, 25th April 10 a.m.
NEW YORK via Suez, Port Said, San Francisco & Panama.
ARGON MARU Tuesday, 16th April.
JAPAN PORTS.
HIVEISAN MARU Friday, 12th April.
ANDES MARU Wednesday, 17th April.
KEELU MARU Saturday, 11th May.
CANTON MARU Sunday, 14th April 3 p.m.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 21st April 3 a.m.
TAKU MARU Thursday, 18th April 10 a.m.
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It is very often the case with passengers, when arranging their trans-Pacific journey, that they do not definitely decide on rail, hotel and trans-Atlantic arrangements for the reason that they are unable to make up their minds until after leaving Yokohama just how much time they will wish to spend in America, and these passengers heretofore have had to wait until arrival on the other side before they could complete their rail and trans-Atlantic arrangements. This necessarily meant a certain amount of time spent on the other side in going into transportation matters. With the employment of these ticket agents on board "Empress" steamers it will enable passengers to definitely fix their rail, trans-Atlantic hotel, etc., arrangements on board ship before arrival on the other side so that when their steamer docks in Victoria or Vancouver, they can immediately go ashore and proceed on their journey without any of the time being employed in going into the detail of transportation matters. These ticket agents will also be of considerable help to passenger-travelling West bound who have been unable to definitely fix their arrangements for travel and sightseeing in the Orient, as the ticket agents have been experienced in transportation matters and well acquainted with travel facilities in the Orient.

MARINERS WARNED

DREDGING IN SHANGHAI
AREA

Mr. R. Longworth, Acting Harbour Master at Shanghai, issues the following notification to mariners:

Dredging operations will commence dredging operations off the lower end of Pootung Point.

The area to be dredged lies between 200 feet below the British Cigarette Co. Ltd., property in Section VII and that of Arnold and Co. Ltd., in Section V.

All lighters and other craft in the vicinity are to shift in ample time to allow unrestricted operations.

Anchor Recovered

Another notification states: Notice is hereby given that an anchor with 60 fathoms of chain attached to it has been recovered from the river outside Woosung at a point from which the Quarantine buoy bears North 50 deg. West (Magnetic) about 3 miles, and is now in the forehouse of the Customs property at Woosung, where it may be inspected at low water and up to half tide.

The anchor is a steel one and about three stone in weight. It is on the expiry of 30 days from the date of this notice (April 10) the anchor and chain remain unclaimed and salvage on their unpaid claims become the property of the sailors.

"LIONEL" ARRIVES

FIRST APPEARANCE IN THE
COLONY

A motor-vessel called the "Lionel" made her first appearance in the waters of the harbour when she arrived yesterday under the command of Captain M. Tofdari from Calcutta. She is a steel twin screw vessel of 5,653 gross tonnage and 3,451 net tonnage, and was constructed for the owners three years ago by the Odense Steelworks Company.

Her dimensions are—Length, 375.6 feet; beam 52.2 feet; and depth 33 ft. The Burmeister engines with which she is fitted are capable of developing 450 h.p. Her next port of call will be Whampoa.

SHIPPING SECTION.

FOREIGN SHIPS

SHANGHAI DUTCH CONSUL'S
STRONG PROTEST

AGAINST CHINESE ACTION

Communications have been exchanged between the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Wun-sz King, and the Consul-General for the Netherlands, Mr. F. E. H. Groenman, with reference to the search of the Dutch gun-boat "Oudekerk" by members of the Chinese police force on February 20 and the alleged discovery of 300 revolvers on board.

The "Oudekerk" was lying in mid-stream, at the time of the search, when the Chinese police boarded her for the purpose of searching for arms. After a search had been made, the Chinese declared that they had discovered 300 revolvers.

Mr. Groenman wrote to the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs informing him that in cases where the crew of the Dutch vessels were suspected of being involved in the search, the Dutch vessels were prepared to give every assistance to properly authorised persons, as were the shipping companies concerned. Mr. Groenman further pointed out that the search had been made by the Chinese police and drew the attention of the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs to this fact.

Further inquiries in the meantime, further inquiries were made and later the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs wrote an answer to the Netherlands Consul-General stating that the circumstances necessitated urgent measures and that the Chinese police were quite justified in their action, which had resulted in the following:—

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Sir—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 12 last, concerning the search for arms by the Chinese police which took place on board the Netherlands steamship "Oudekerk" on February 20, 1929.

As you indicate in your despatch, the smuggling of arms and ammunition is undoubtedly a very serious matter, which ought to be prevented as much as possible. Immediately after the incident, in my letter of February 21, I assured you that I am always ready, as is only natural, to assist in any prevention, and so are the representatives of the steamship companies concerned and the masters and officers of the ships. This has been shown in the case of this ship, also, and it is my earnest wish that also in the future the prevention of smuggling should not be lacking. However, it is not desirable or necessary to depart to this end from the rules as laid down in treaties according to which the Chinese Maritime Customs is to visit and search foreign vessels.

The required co-operation exists between the different Chinese authorities and if any and all either private or public investigation about the smuggling of arms, impart such information at once to the Customs, then their rank of the Chinese Government will always be in a position to do what is just and can be done according to Chinese law and according to the treaties.

That this legal way of dealing with smuggling cases would be the best way, has been proved again by the occurrences on board the s.s. "Oudekerk". The Chinese authorities, by their action, have prevented the Customs from seizing all the arms that were hidden in the ship. Acting upon instructions of Her Majesty's Minister in China, I am, therefore, compelled to utter a protest against the manner in which the police have thought fit to act in this case. It is the utmost, the Customs might, in exceptional cases, request the police to accompany them when visiting foreign ships, but being understood that the Customs ought to be notified at once and given the opportunity to be present, which can in no case be made by anybody but the Customs. On this point, I am particularly instructed to insist.

Concerning the punishment of the smugglers, I may inform you that, during or immediately after the incident, two Chinese members of the crew appeared without leaving any trace, so that it is to be supposed that with them the guilty persons have escaped. Whether or not there existed any responsibility or negligence on the part of the master or other persons on board, is difficult to say, since no data are available. However, I have reported the matter to the competent authorities, who will carefully investigate this case.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) F. E. H. GROENMAN,
Consul-General.

MONSIEUR KING WUN-SZ,
Commissioner of Foreign Affairs
for Kiangsu, Shanghai.

FATALITY ON LINER

The new turbo-electric liner "Victory of India," which has returned to anchorage off Greenock after a series of trial runs on the Clyde, was the scene of a fatal accident. Preparations were being made for lowering the anchor, a pin came out of one of the shackles, and the anchor and chain ran rapidly out. The pin rebounded and struck Mr. Alexander Munro, hull surveyor on the Glasgow staff of Lloyd's Register, a glancing blow on the right side inflicting serious injuries. It also struck Mr. Joseph Myres, chief electrical engineer to the builders' firm, on the left shoulder. Both men were conveyed to Greenock Royal Infirmary, but Mr. Munro was so badly hurt that he died before reaching the infirmary, and it was found that Mr. Myres had sustained a fracture of the left shoulder.

Mr. Munro, who was 63 years of age, was transferred recently from the Newcastle office of Lloyd's Register to the Glasgow staff, and he was due to retire within a few months.

MEN KIDNAPPED

TORTURED INTO PAYING
RANSOM

JUNK HELD UP

When a Chinese was charged, yesterday, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, on charges of participation in an armed robbery and kidnapping three men on board a junk on March 21, 1929, it was alleged that the captives were being tortured into paying ransom.

The prosecutor's case was outlined by Inspector J. Ogg, who said that the owner of the junk, together with three foks set sail from Sha Kong on March 20, 1929. The craft carried a consignment of lime, which was unloaded on arrival at Castle Peak, and the lime sold for \$65.50. The junk then left Castle Peak for Hong Kong, but on arrival at Tai Nam Chung, they had to anchor owing to an absence of wind.

At about five or six o'clock in the evening, while the master and his foks were taking a rest on board their craft, another junk bumped into them. The newcomer had eight men on board, all of whom were armed with revolvers. They held up the crew of the lime junk and later imprisoned them in the hold.

The boat was put under way and after sailing for several hours, the prisoners were put ashore and imprisoned in a house. A few days later one of the captives was released. He was forced to take a letter from each of the other prisoners to their relatives asking money for their release. Eventually \$370 was sent to the robbers and all the prisoners were set free.

It was also alleged that during the men's captivity, they were brutally treated, and those who had refused to write the letter asking for money were tortured by having a wire loop placed around their heads, which was being gradually tightened until the victims had to surrender. Accused was arrested a year after the incident. He was recognised by one of the victims as being the man who was most active in devising means to torture them.

The case was adjourned.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The motor vessel "Malayan Prince" from New York sailed from Shanghai, yesterday morning and is expected to arrive here to-morrow afternoon.

The B.L. s.s. "Santha" will leave Amoy for this port on April 13 p.m., and is due here on April 14 p.m.

Projected arrivals at and departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line, Ltd., are as follows:—

Arrivals at Hong Kong
The s.s. "City of Glasgow" from Europe, April 17.
The s.s. "Glenbank" from New York via Panama, April 22.

Departures from Hong Kong
The s.s. "City of Glasgow" for Shanghai and Japan, April 18.

The s.s. "Linhow" for Saigon and South Africa, April 18.

The "Glenbank" for Haiphong, April 26.

The s.s. "Comlebank" for Shanghai and China, April 21.

The s.s. "City of Delhi" for Singapore and U.K., May 9.

WARSHIPS HERE

The following men-of-war are at present in the harbour:
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 12
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 27
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	Aug. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 21	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 29	Sept. 7
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 10	Sept. 12	Sept. 21
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	Oct. 12
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 28	Nov. 6
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Nov. 13	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21	Nov. 30
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5	Dec. 14

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 19	Apr. 21	Apr. 26	Apr. 28
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 7	May 9	May 10	May 12

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*MANVUA	10,946	27th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*NAGPORE	5,283	4th May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	8th May	Marseilles, London & Hull.
*MORAN	9,144	11th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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TAKIWA	7,936	5th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,949	8th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	8,013	21st May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	3rd June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TILAWA	10,006	27th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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ARAFURA	6,000	2nd Aug.	
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KALYAN	9,144	13th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*JEYPORE	5,318	16th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	16th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
ARAFURA	10,946	16th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,953	20th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TALAMBA	8,013	28th Apr.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TALMA	10,000	7th May	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TANDA	6,956	7th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*PERIM	7,643	9th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
DELTA	8,097	10th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*ROSSINGTON		14th May	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
COURT		22nd May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
		22nd May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAPUTANA	10,508	24th May	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TILAWA	10,006	4th June	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	7th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHA	7,754	9th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.

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Captain J. D. Fraser, from reserve,
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Captain D. H. Martin, of the "King-
man," is on reserve.

Mr. F. Kelly, second officer, "Shan-
tung," has gone second officer,
"Kwangchow."

Mr. J. W. Bennett, second officer,
"Fatsan," has gone second officer,
"Kweichow."

Mr. F. J. Griffiths, from reserve,
has gone second officer, "Fatsan."
Mr. D. Buchanan, second officer,
"Kweichow," has resigned from the
C.N. Co.

Mr. A. C. Lemerier, second en-
gineer officer, "Shantung," has gone
second engineer officer, "Whangpu."

Mr. E. C. Fitzpatrick, second en-
gineer officer, "Whangpu," is on re-
serve.

Mr. H. L. Elliott, third engineer
officer, "Wantung," has gone third
engineer officer, "Whangpu."

Mr. W. Wishart, from reserve, has
gone chief engineer officer, "Ichang."

Mr. J. A. Anderson, chief engineer
officer, "Ichang," has gone chief en-
gineer officer, "Shanghai."

Mr. D. C. Sinclair, chief engineer
officer, "Shanghai," has gone chief
engineer officer, "Wanliu."

Mr. G. E. Kerr, third engineer of-
ficer, "Changchow," is on reserve.

Mr. M. Scott, from reserve, has
gone third engineer officer, "Chang-
chow."

Mr. H. A. Morrison, chief engineer
officer, "Wantung," is on home leave.

Mr. R. S. Sinclair, chief engineer
officer, "Kwangchow," has gone chief
engineer officer, "Wantung."

Mr. G. W. Clark, from reserve, has
gone chief engineer officer, "Kin-
ting."

Captain E. V. Bishop, of the
"Changchow," has gone master, "Hans-
sang."

Mr. J. Moodie, chief officer, "Pook-
sang," is on reserve.

Mr. A. B. Omond, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, "Pooksang."

Captain W. Gibb, Indo-China S.N.
Co., is on home leave.

Mr. A. Woodley, chief officer,
"Kutwo," has gone chief officer,
"Sungang."

Mr. F. Kerslake, from reserve, has
gone second engineer officer, "Yu-
sang."

Mr. J. Findlater, second engineer
officer, "Yusang," is on reserve.

PROFIT FOR 1928

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE

Hamburg.—The annual report for
1928 of the Hamburg-Amerika Line
shows a gross profit of 34,682,000
marks (approximately \$1,744,000). In
order to appropriate the extension of
the company, it adds, and to keep it
on its high standard, substantial sums
had to be written off, necessitating the
reduction of the dividend from the
8 per cent. declared in 1927 to 7
per cent.

The total tonnage of the line at the
end of the year was 1,114,826 tons
gross register. Seven passenger ves-
sels of a total of 71,500 tons and eight
freight steamers, with passengers ac-
commodation, totalling 51,200 gross
tons, were under construction. Of this
new construction the 16,000-ton liner
"Milwaukee" was launched on Feb-
ruary 20.

SHIPPING BREVITIES

Pleading guilty to having no licence,
a master of a trading junk was this
morning at the Marine Court fined
\$5 with the option of five days' im-
prisonment.

Arriving from Liverpool and Singa-
pore, the s.s. "Asphalion," a Blue
Funnel vessel, moored alongside
Holt's Wharf at Kowloon this morn-
ing. Besides a general cargo of
1,145 tons for Hong Kong, the "Asphal-
ion" has four drums of liquid
chlorine on board, whilst 6,059 tons
of general cargo will be transhipped
for through ports.

COAST GUARD ACADEMY

Washington, D.C.—The Commerce
Committee has reported favourably
to the Senate on a house bill au-
thorising a \$1,750,000 Coast Guard
Academy at New London, Conn. If
this academy is proceeded with, and
indications are that it will be, it will
probably be located on the line of the
Central Vermont just north of New
London.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been
obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting
Machine, which includes 40 compo-
nents for the better prediction of tides,
from the result of the analysis of the
tidal observations, taken at the Kau-
lung tidal observatory under the
direction of Dr. Doherty during the
years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

The times and heights are given for
Kaulung; but they may be used for
the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen,
the differences being very small.

The times of high- and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

April 12 to 18, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
April	Standard Times	Standard Times
12	10 29 5.8	4 58 5.4
13	11 0 5.3	5 8 5.0
14	11 51 4.9	5 58 4.6
15	12 42 4.5	6 48 4.2
16	1 33 4.1	7 38 3.8
17	2 24 3.7	8 28 3.4
18	3 15 3.3	9 18 3.0
19	4 06 2.9	10 08 2.6
20	4 57 2.5	10 58 2.2
21	5 48 2.1	11 48 1.8
22	6 39 1.7	12 38 1.4
23	7 30 1.3	1 28 1.0
24	8 21 0.9	2 18 0.6
25	9 12 0.5	3 08 0.2
26	10 03 0.1	3 58 0.0
27	10 54 0.0	4 48 0.0
28	11 45 0.0	5 38 0.0
29	12 36 0.0	6 28 0.0
30	1 27 0.0	7 18 0.0
1	2 18 0.0	8 08 0.0
2	3 09 0.0	8 58 0.0
3	4 00 0.0	9 48 0.0
4	4 51 0.0	10 38 0.0
5	5 42 0.0	11 28 0.0
6	6 33 0.0	12 18 0.0
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21	7 18 0.0	12 48 0.0
22	8 09 0.0	1 38 0.0
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21	12 00 0.0	2 50 0.0
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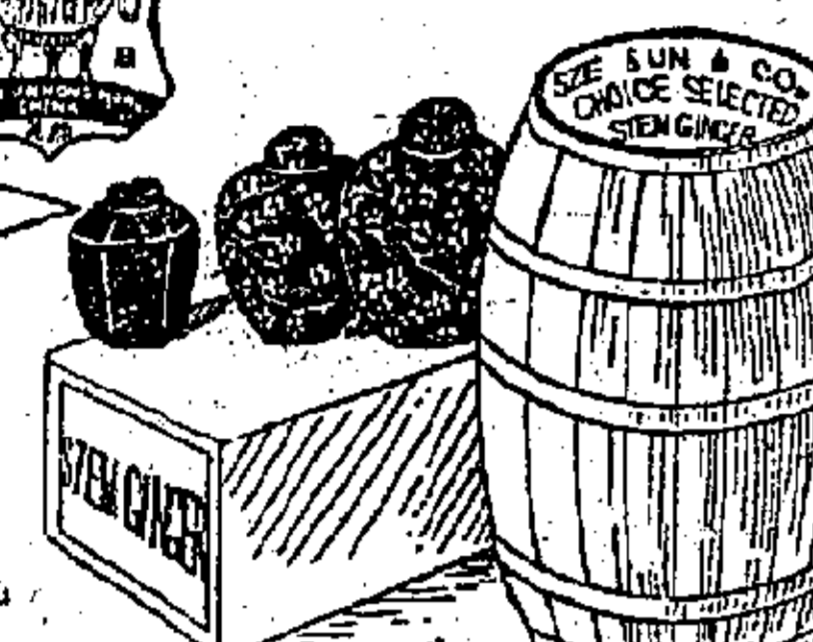
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GENERAL ELECTION
PROSPECTS

There are many indications that the General Election of next month will be one of the most remarkable in the history of Great Britain. For one thing, never have there been so many ways open to candidates to reach the ear of those whom they wish to impress by their political oratory. Besides their own persuasive eloquence, if they have any, they will have at their command such modern devices as radio, the cinema, and speedy motor cars, all of which are to-day in such a state of perfection that they can be so utilised that any of the political candidates may appeal to a much vaster audience than the one they are actually addressing. Thus will it be quite possible for a candidate to speak directly and simultaneously to the whole of his constituents over even the widest political districts, for there are few homes in Great Britain nowadays, we believe, in which wireless is not a daily experience, and in any event, halls may be requisitioned in many parts of a constituency so that the candidate may be heard by those who perhaps are more concerned to hear rather than see him, and with the additional advantage of travelling as short a distance as possible.

It sounds like "politics made easy" and is eloquent of the fact that we live in an age very different from that of our grandfathers who went to the hustings and to do so frequently made long and arduous journeys, while the candidates themselves travelled about laboriously, often having to be content with the most meagre of audiences. The new methods

should certainly have a tendency to create much more interest in the minds of the electorate and bring about heavy polling. It is exceedingly interesting to note the very large number of aspirants for political honours. It is stated that no fewer than 1,640 have already been adopted—580 Conservative, 565 Labour, and 495 Liberal candidates, of which 65 are women—30, 28, and 7, respectively, of the Labour, Liberal, and Conservative folds. It is astounding that there should be so many women candidates when less than a decade ago there was not a single one and when in the present Parliament, now all but defunct, there is but a mere handful. Shades of Canning, Melbourne, Beaconsfield, Gladstone, and Salisbury! What would these distinguished statesmen of a very different time—though little more than a century away from us—have thought of such an invasion of the feminine? Not in the wildest flights of his oratorical fancies could even the "Grand Old Man," who died little more than thirty years ago, have conceived of such an encroachment of women into the inner sanctum of the House of Commons, so long sacred to men alone. Both the Labour and the Liberal Parties seem to be much more confident of success than the Conservative Party, whose Government has just completed five years of office, and which unprejudiced opinion must concede has been eminently successful. It does not, of course, precisely follow that the success that the Labourites and the revived Liberals appear to feel will materialise.

It is not at all improbable that the Conservatives, whose record for safe, sober, and sound legislation is to-day even higher than it ever was, will be returned to power. Mr. Baldwin may not be the most "brilliant" of political leaders; he may be what most men are to-day who reflect upon the kaleidoscopic phases of politics, a good deal of a cynic; but that he is a man in whom the country and the Empire may place implicit trust there can be no two questions. The present Government's policy with regard to unemployment may not be as sound as it might be, but that it is probably as efficacious, and much more likely to be less costly, than the wonderful panacea which Mr. Lloyd George proposes there need be little doubt. From now onward the General Election will loom very large in the daily life of the one-land, and its various phases will be watched with deep interest by Britons at home and throughout the world.

At the Radio Exhibition to be held at Olympia in September, the Baird television will be on view, and from that time onwards anybody will be able to purchase a "seeing-in" set for probably as little as £25, and with it witness in his home moving images of events transmitted from a broadcasting station. The day cannot be far distant when, without leaving our chairs at home, we shall be able to see Ascot in all its excitement and glory, or a Test Match at Lord's (or at Sydney, for that matter)—see, that is, the actual events themselves at the moment of their occurrence, not just moving photographs of them some time afterwards. —"Daily Exchange" (London).

The Hon. B. D. F. Beith and Mrs. Beith left by the "Empress of France."

Yesterday two cases of small-pox were notified, two cases of diphtheria (one British), and one case of enteric fever (Japanese).

The postmen's quarters on the fourth floor of the Fire Station Building were entered by a thief yesterday, who helped himself to a quantity of clothing.

As the result of being knocked down by a motor car in Connaught-road West yesterday, a young Chinese is now in hospital suffering from injuries to his head.

Mrs. V. M. Bond is going home to-morrow, and will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends, identified as she has been with numerous organisations for the good of the community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bagram were passengers by the "Empress of France" on her voyage North, as were Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar, the Hon. and Mrs. G. G. Mackie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Paterson, and Mr. B. L. Seton-Winton.

Natalie Kingston wears some gorgeous gowns and wraps in "Lost at the Front," the first National picture now showing at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon. She also wears a natty uniform of the Russian army.

Taking mean advantage of the fact that a cigarette stall in Second-street, West Point, was under the charge of a girl during the stall-holder's temporary absence, three Chinese rowdies stole a box of cigarettes worth \$2. They escaped.

Among passengers leaving the Colony on the s.s. "Saarbrücken" were Dr. J. W. H. Ferguson, Commissioner of Customs at Canton and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brearley, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. S. Jensen, Mr. Hugo Ammann, the President of the German Tennis Club, and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Eldridge.

Mr. Ng Tai-ping, Chairman of the Modern Literary Association, yesterday delivered an address on "What is Evolution?" to a large gathering of members and friends, presided over by Professor J. Kirke. Mr. Ng Tai-ping is the Provincial Ping Pong Champion of Kwangtung and the President of the Hong Kong Ping Pong League. He is a fifth year student of the University.

MORAL AIM

LECTURE TO EDUCATION
SOCIETY

EDUCATIONAL PHASE

An interesting lecture was delivered by Mr. G. W. Reeve, master of Queen's College, yesterday, to members of the Education Society of the Hong Kong University at the University Union, the subject being "The Moral Aim of a School."

Morality, the lecturer said, might be approached from the religious, secular or purely academic point of view. The term moral could only be applied to beings possessing choice, even if the choice was only in the sense that if they had thought at the time they could have refrained from doing that which they did do. It implied a judgment, a standard, and that which ought to be and not that which was. It was essential to explain this keen moral sense. It was a voluntary action, right because it was right or right because it aimed at some good.

They had to start with the individual, look for the good in him and assume that he was born with good moral instincts. Mr. Reeve stated in conclusion that the school should look upon a child as good or possessing the terms of goodness; its scale of values would include as primary the development of a good character. A good will was the same as a good character, and a good character was a good citizen of the world.

CORRESPONDENCE

ABBREVIATED DEGREE

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir, I read on page 12 of to-day's "China Mail" (Wednesday) under the heading of "Dr. Harrison" this misleading statement: "According to the Hospital of Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, D.O.M.S. for short."

D.O.M.S. stands for "Diploma in Ophthalmic Medicine and Surgery," and not as stated in your report. The public should know the correct interpretation of these letters which signify that the person holding such qualification is an eye specialist.

Yours etc.,

"EYES."

Hong Kong, April 10.

COMEDY COMPANY

BANVARD'S ARTISTES AT
THE STAR

OPENING TO-MORROW

To-morrow night the Banvard English Comedy Company, which has broken records throughout India, will make a first appearance here at the Star Theatre for a limited season.

"A Cuckoo in the Nest," the opening play, broken records at the Aldwych Theatre, London. This is, therefore, a rare opportunity of seeing one of the best of recent farces played by a distinguished company of well-known London artists.

On Sunday they will present Edgar Wallace's super-thriller "The Ringer." Not until the final fall of the curtain is the identity of the Ringer revealed. Plans are at Moutrie's and the Star and popular prices prevail—\$3, \$2, and \$1.

IMPORTANT ISSUES

JUDGE IN BORROWING NOTE
LITIGATION

JUDGMENT RESERVED

The issues are very important, much more important than the amount claimed, said his Honour the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E.) in the Supreme Court, Original Jurisdiction, yesterday, at the close of the speech for the plaintiff in the Chinese borrowing note case. His Lordship said he thought it was only fair that he should go through the evidence and he will give a written judgment later.

The case has occupied a number of hearings. Lam Ting-on, as head of the King On Tong, sues the Ma Pak Leung firm of drug-gists, Hong Kong, for \$4,698 under a note. The defence was, inter alia, that the note was made by another firm of the same name in Fatsan.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley) was for plaintiff; Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C., and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. d'Almada & Mason) for the defendants.

SALVATION ARMY

LEGAL COSTS IN RECENT
ACTION

AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Salvation Army headquarters, in an official statement issued in mail week, made the following announcement:—

"All expenditure connected with the recent legal action or of any future proceedings into which the Army may be forced will be met out of a special fund, and not from the proceeds of the Self-Denial Appeal, or from donations given for any other specific purpose."

An official denial was made of a statement that General Higgins was unable to obtain his salary as General because it must be paid out of a Trust Fund which was under the control of General Booth. "The Fund in question," it was pointed out, "is held by the Charity Commissioners, and is not therefore in any way under the control of General Booth."

General Higgins stated in an interview that no serious schism was anticipated in the Army ranks, either in Great Britain or in America. American delegates to the High Council, he added, were strongest in their expressions of allegiance.

"Do you believe, sir, that on Election Day the women should be at the polls?"

"Yes, sir," the crusty bachelor unexpectedly replied, "at both of 'em—North and South."

PRAPS

PRAPS NOT!

"Old Gentleman": "Look here, I know that my feet were meant to be walked on, but I consider the privilege belongs to me."

Amateur Photographer: "Have my films developed all right?"
Chemist: "The answer is in the negative."

"That's a curious name you've given your car. Do you call it 'True Love' in honour of your best girl?"
"Oh, no," replied the owner of the car. "I call it that because it won't run smooth."

The millionaire was boasting to his friends about his success in life.

"All my success," he said, "all my tremendous financial prestige I owe to one thing—luck."

"Yes," said one of the party, "but how do you find the right people to pluck?"

Tommy had just returned from a football match in which he had been playing for his school.

"Well," said the father, "and how did you get on, Tommy? Did you win?"

"Yes, dad. We scored three goals and four casualties, the others only got one goal and two casualties."

Housewife: "But, my good man, your story has such a hollow ring."

Tramp: "Yes, lady, that's what comes from speaking on an empty stomach."

I eat my peas with honey—
I have done it all my life.
They do taste kind of funny,
But it keeps them on the knife.

The Mistress: "So you have decided not to get married, Nora. Have you been taking stock of married folk?"

Nora: "No, mum; only you and the master."

An optician, travelling in a colliery village up North, recently inquired of a miner's wife if she wanted glasses.

"Everybody round here," he observed, "should have their eyes tested."

"Tested?" echoed the woman. "Ah! I'll get them tested this weekend when aa see oor Georgie's pay!"

Owing to "dud" cheques coming in, an hotel manager found it necessary to be on the alert.

Therefore, when he found his new cashier handing over real notes to comparative stranger, he ventured a mild inquiry. "What are you doing?" he asked.

"Cashing a cheque for Mr. —," she smiled.

"That's right, that's right," he said approvingly. "Just keep on persevering until you get a good one!"

Two heavily advertised boxers were putting up a terrible exhibition of extreme caution. They had danced around the ring for two rounds without landing a punch.

At the moment they were standing six feet apart, in attitudes suggesting anything but combat.

Suddenly there came a hoarse cry from the seats: "Separate 'em!"

I met him in the subway, accompanied by his wife and two children. He was perspiring as he struggled along under the weight of a large portmanteau.

"Hello, George!" I called out to him. "Where are you going?"

"To Brighton," he replied, "and I haven't time to stop. See you again."

"But what train are you going by?" I asked.

"The 1.15 train; it's an express," he answered.

"Well, by jove, you'll have to hurry up. I've just missed it!" They brought him round, after about half an hour.

The Mistress: "So you have decided not to get the country, and the domestic read it with awe."

"This way, your nobleness," she murmured, and showed the Duke of Dillington into the cold and cheerless drawing room, where, of course, she had omitted to make a fire. Then, breathless and flustered, she dashed up to her mistress.

"The Duke o' Dillington to see you, marm," she gasped. "At least that's what 'e ses o' is. Shall I go down and fight the war?"

Her mistress stared.

"Jane," she said, sternly, "what do you mean? The Duke is a very old friend of mine."

"Beg pardon, marm," said the excited servant. "I mean shall I go down and light the fire."

A BOON IN SUMMER

BOTTLES REMAIN ICE-COLD FOR 24 HOURS

TUNDICE TANKS

It is not as widely realised as it should be what a boon Tundice Tanks are to all those who live in hot climates. These compact tanks are made on the thermos principle and therefore all bottles that are put in become and remain ice-cold for 24 hours.

What a great improvement this is on the ordinary ice-chest where only those bottles which are actually resting on or touching the ice become cold. Most of us have experienced the frantic and annoying search on a hot night for a really cold bottle to the detriment of our tempers, and also we all know the number of times we have had to send back a warm soda because the "boy" could not be bothered to burrow down to find a cold one. When an ordinary ice-chest is filled up the usual practice is to put in some layers of bottles and then a large quantity of ice, some bottles around and above the ice, and then more layers of bottles above these and the result is that, when a bottle is required, the one nearest to hand is generally taken.

All this is eliminated by a Tundice, for then the bottles are placed standing up and a remarkably small quantity of ice is placed on top of the bottles. This ice slowly melts and runs down the sides of the bottles and collects at the bottom of the Tank. This means that all the bottles are standing in ice-cold water, and not only become but remain ice-cold. Further, as these tanks are made on the thermos principle, the air inside becomes ice-cold so when a fresh bottle is put in this also becomes beautifully cold in a very short time, but care must be exercised to replace the lid as soon as possible. A good method to adopt is to refill after three or four bottles have been taken out.

A Drink During the Night

The small sized tank can be carried easily by one person, so it becomes a matter of convenience to move it from room to room. This is a real boon on a hot night. Think of waking up in the night and, by merely stretching out a hand, procuring an ice-cold drink, instead of having to get out of bed, walking a little distance to the ice-chest, and, in all probability, then finding that all the ice has melted and there is nothing but warm bottles! These tanks can also be carried out to the tennis court, enabling cold drinks to be had at any moment instead of having to call for the "boy" whenever one is required. Then, again, they are invaluable on any picnic—walking, launch, or car. The small size is small enough to fit comfortably under one's legs, or there is another design which fits to the shape of the running board and can be clamped on securely and safely.

The prices are so graded that they are within the reach of all pockets. The saving in ice soon pays for the outlay and then becomes a profit to the owner, besides adding very materially to comfort and luxury. No house is complete without one.

SIR IAN HAMILTON

"WOMEN'S POLITICS FROM NOW ON"

Sir Ian Hamilton, president of the Glasgow and Lanarkshire Association of London, in proposing "The Guests and the Ladies," at the Association's annual dinner at the Trocadero Restaurant, London, speculated on how the new women voters would vote, and said that there would be no peace at all until the country had a lady Prime Minister.

"We are not political here," he said, "but we do know that the Conservatives are the most revolutionary party in politics. Corn Laws, Suez Canal shares, Tariff Reform—what is all that compared with giving the vote to hundreds of thousands of ladies?"

"No one knows what's going to happen, but at least a soldier does know ladies better than politicians, because, until now, he has seen more of them. So I'll let you into a secret: They will be quite different as politicians from men. If the Conservatives had enfranchised a million men, they'd know where they were. Out of sheer gratitude, the new voters would be inclined to give their first vote, their virgin vote, to their benefactors. [There's not a chance of it.]

"Ladies leap-frog all the facts—all the reasons—and yet alight, not, as might be expected, on their beam ends, but fair and square on a perfectly sound conclusion. They are warriors. See them attack one another in the House. Also they have got numbers. They are going to fling themselves straight into politics, and it will be women's politics from now on, all the time, and no peace at all until we get a lady Prime Minister."

MR. S. MUGRIDGE

SEVERE CONNECTION WITH H.M. DOCKYARD

A FAREWELL GIFT

Mr. S. Mugridge, of the Naval Store Department, Naval Yard, was the recipient last evening of a handsome silver service on the occasion of his impending departure on promotion to Invergordon, Scotland.

Mr. E. A. S. Hayward, Naval Store officer, made the presentation to Mr. Mugridge on behalf of the staff and friends in the Dockyard, and wished Mr. Mugridge all success in his new appointment. Mr. Hayward also humorously contrasted Mr. Mugridge's future sporting activities, with those enjoyed in Hong Kong.

Mr. Hayward was supported by Messrs. Ashby, Heath, Robinson, Marsh, and other members of the N.S.O. Staff and officials.

Mr. Mugridge thanked those present and other friends, and hoped that they would visit him at his cottage in the West Country after he had completed his active service further north.

Mr. Mugridge, who severs his connection with the local Yard tomorrow, had previously served, but left in 1920 after an extended period of service. He returned in 1927.

LADY DUDLEY

VICTORIAN QUEEN OF BEAUTY

Georgiana Countess of Dudley will assuredly go down to fame as one of the great beauties of her time. She will rank with the beautiful Duchess of Devonshire with Mrs. Siddons, and with the beautiful Duchess of Leinster. She has died leaving behind her a long and fragrant memory of a wonderfully beautiful woman who devoted all her widowhood to the cause of suffering, writes a correspondent in a home paper.

Few women experienced so many delights and vicissitudes of life. She was the third daughter of a baronet, Sir Thomas Moncrieff, and she married at nineteen the wealthy Earl of Dudley. His riches were amazing and his generosity overwhelming. Yet when he died his affairs were a little involved, and it was necessary to sell the famous Dudley collection of art treasures, and for a while the Ward show place of Witley Court, in Worcestershire, was closed. Since that time it has been sold to a Kidderminster carpet manufacturer.

House Granted by King Edward The Dowager Lady Dudley eventually went to live in Pembroke Lodge, a house granted to her for her lifetime by "grace and favour" of King Edward VII. From that time she lived in comparative retirement, taking an interest in Red Cross work and refusing any honours, save the Royal Red Cross and the Order of St. John.

The Countess of Dudley's husband was 30 years her senior. He loaded her with jewels, and he expected her to wear them on all occasions. Waiburgan Lady Paget relates how disturbed the Earl was when, on one occasion, his Countess came to a reception without wearing a single diamond and sapphire, contenting herself with a few rosebuds wreathed in her hair.

But a little later she made amends by wearing her jewels all day while she was with her husband at a shooting lodge in Scotland. This was at Black Mount, which had been taken from the contemporary Marquess of Breadalbane.

One day the Countess's jewels were stolen at a railway station. Lord Dudley advertised that he "would give the thief £1,000 and ask no questions" if they were returned. They were never recovered, and so the Earl purchased more diamonds, sapphires, emeralds and pearls.

While her husband remained active Lady Dudley was content to live in a gilded cage. One day he had a stroke, and from that time onwards Lady Dudley managed all the affairs of the vast Ward estates and nursed her husband during a long illness.

Many Suitors When he died she was in her prime, and suitors came from all parts of Europe to plead for her hand. According to Prince Serge Wolkowsky, one of these, was Herbert Bismarck, the son of Germany's "Iron Chancellor." He proposed to her many times, but in vain. Lady Dudley remained a widow until the end of her days. Her Richmond home of Pembroke Lodge had been the house of Lord John Russell, and many Cabinet meetings had been held in her drawingroom.

In her last years she turned her attention to compiling a book of culinary and toilet recipes which was published under the title of "The Dudley Book of Cookery and Household Recipes." The motto chosen was culled from Milton: "Nothing lovelier can be found in woman than to study household good."

A GIPSY CURSE

REMARKABLE EVIDENCE REGARDING DECEASED GIRL

MENTALLY UNBALANCED

"It is one of the most extraordinary cases I have had to deal with," said the East Surrey Coroner at the inquest on Annie Pauline Goldsmith, aged 23, a domestic servant, of Johnson Road, West Croydon, whose nude body was found in a field at Baddistead Farm, near Biggin Hill.

The mother said the girl was excited, and spoke about a gipsy encampment and a curse. The girl showed her a text and talked about St. Paul.

Mrs. Mary Ann Ward said she had employed the young woman as a general servant. She was very depressed, and had delusions about people shunning her. She used to talk about a young man, whom she said she had asked if he cared for her. She never read anything but the Bible.

Young Man's Letter

The Rev. Eustace Whittle, minister of West Croydon Baptist Church, said that on a Sunday evening in January she went to him crying, and produced a letter. "She tried to tell me something," he said, "but it was impossible to follow her, as she was rambling and incoherent. I asked her if the trouble was about a young man, as I gathered that was the cause of her agitation, and she said it was. She was under the delusion that this young man wanted her."

Herbert George William Burgess, a cabinet maker, said he wrote the letter. It was to give her a verse that she had asked for.

The Coroner—Had she asked you if you were in love with her? Yes, but I said "Decidedly no." Jessie Barlow said she had known the girl for about eight years at the Baptist Tabernacle. On February 7, she spoke about a curse which had been on the family for many years and said that when she was a little girl she was taken to a gipsy encampment. She also mentioned the name of Gipsy Smith the Evangelist.

Exhaustion and Exposure—Dr. Samuel Stanley Brooke, said that the condition of the brain indicated mental deficiency or mental unbalance. The cause of death was exhaustion and exposure.

The Coroner said there was no evidence to show that there had been foul play.

The jury returned a verdict of death from exposure.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. de Basagotti have returned to Malaya from Australia.

Baron de Warzee, the Belgian Minister, left Shanghai last week for Tientsin and Peking.

Mr. C. C. J. Briscoe, of the legal firm of Messrs. Pooley and Co., Kuala Lumpur, left for Home recently.

Mrs. J. Roach, of Bukit Talai Rubber Estate, has been admitted to the General Hospital suffering from blackwater fever.

A representative gathering of Kuala Lumpur Chinese merchants assembled recently to bid farewell to Mr. J. D. Morrison, of Messrs. Boustead and Co., Ltd., Singapore on the eve of his departure on leave.

Rev. Brother Dominic, Director of St. Paul's Institution, Singapore, will be proceeding to Europe on leave shortly, his place being taken by Rev. Bro. Edward, the former Director who recently returned from a holiday.

Mrs. E. F. Howell last week completed twenty-five years of continuous residence in Singapore during which time she has been away on long leave only three times to New Zealand in 1909 and 1916 and to England in 1925.

According to the Shanghai vernacular press, the Inspector-General of Customs has issued an order to the local Commissioner to the effect that, pending a settlement of the question regarding the Whangpoo conservancy dues, such dues must be collected at the old rate.

The Rev. W. E. Horley, formerly of Ipoh, will arrive on April 20 at Singapore, where he will take over the district superintendency of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist chaplaincy to H.M. Forces.

Mr. Justice Elphinstone, the new Chief Justice of the F.M.S., is due to arrive at Penang from Colombo by the "Kalyan" on April 4 or 5. He is to be succeeded as Attorney-General in Ceylon by Mr. E. S. J. Jackson, O.B.E., Attorney-General Tanganyika Territory.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Mysterious Lady."

To-day—World Theatre; "The King of Kings."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Love Hungry."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Lost At the Front."

To-day and To-morrow—Theatre Royal; H.K.A.D.C. production "The Dover Road."

April 13—Star Theatre; W. R. Banvard's English Comedy Co. in "A Cuckoo in the Nest," 9.15 p.m.

To-day—Dance of H.M.S. "Kent's" Dance Club, Lane, Crawford, from 8 to 11.45 p.m.

Home Mails To-day—Inward from Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (Naldera); Europe via Suez (Kalyan); To-day—Outward for Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (Kalyan), 6 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions April 13—At Sales Room, 45 cases brandy and 20 cases gin, 11 a.m.

April 17—At Sales Room, a valuable collection of curio 2.30 p.m.

Land Sales April 15—Two Lots of Crown land at Shamshui and Wong Nei Chong respectively, at P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

Sports To-day—St. Stephen's College sports, Queen's College ground, 2 p.m.

April 13—Third extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

April 15—H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament: Final of open championship doubles.

April 21—Farling Hunt Spring meeting.

Meetings To-day—H. K. Football Referees' Assn., meeting, Chaplain's Hut, Scandal Pt., 6 p.m.

To-day—Meeting of Marine Engineers' Guild, (Hong Kong Branch) 67, Des Voeux-rd. Cent., 6 p.m.

April 17—Seventh annual meeting of Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., St. George's Bldg., Chater-road, 11 a.m.

April 18—Annual meeting of the British Legion (H. K. Branch) Messrs. Jardine's offices, 5.15 p.m.

April 19—Annual meeting of the Navy League, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous April 16—Bridge party on H.M.S. "Tamar" in aid of H.K.W.G. & M.C.L., 3.30 p.m.

April 20—Ninth annual dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Assn., College Hall, 8 p.m.

May 2—Bridge party at Takfoo Club in aid of H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.

THE HELICOGYRE

ITALIAN'S INVENTION FOR AIR MINISTRY

The helicogyre which is being built for the Air Ministry, is expected to be ready to fly within the next few weeks, says a London paper to hand.

This machine, which has been planned by M. V. Isacco, a young Italian inventor, is a rotating wing machine with engines on the wings driving air screws to pull the wings round. M. Isacco collaborated with Pescara in building five helicopters between 1917 and 1925, and his experience with these machines led him to plan the helicogyre.

In a lecture which M. Isacco delivered to the Royal Aeronautical Society at the Royal Society of Arts on March 18, he contrasted this machine with the fixed wing aeroplane.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE BRITISH LEGION Hong Kong Branch.

THE 8TH. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at 5.15 p.m. on THURSDAY, April 18, 1929, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Business:—To receive the Report and Accounts for year 1928.

To elect officers. A. PIERCY, Hon. Secretary. Hong Kong, April 12, 1929.

THEATRE ROYAL

for TWO WEEKS.

A. CARPI'S ITALIAN GRAND OPERA COMPANY

Thursday, April 25, IL TROVATORE.

Friday, April 26, LA TRAVIATA.

Saturday, April 27, RIGOLETTO.

Booking Opens on Monday, April 15th, at Anderson's.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON WEDNESDAY, April 17, 1929, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of CURIOS.

Comprising:—Vases, Bowls, Plates, Lacquer Tables, Chairs, Cupboards, Screens, Blackwood Ware, Crystal, Jade, Amber, Ivory, and Agate Ornaments, Chinese Hand Paintings, etc.

On View from Tuesday, April 16, 1929.

Catalogues will be issued. Terms:—Cash on Delivery. LAMBERT BROS. Auctioneers. Hong Kong, April 12, 1929.

GRILLE FOR SALE

GIVEN TO AN EMPLOYEE TO PAWN?

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with the unlawful possession of a long brass grille which the Police said he was attempting to sell in Lascar-road yesterday.

Accused said that he was formerly employed in a shop which had gone out of business, and his master had given him the grille to pawn.

The Magistrate said that, as the grille could have come only from a money changer's shop or a native bank, he thought that it would not be difficult for the Police to find this out. He remanded accused until to-morrow morning for investigations to be made.

AT PRESENT, OUTDOOR WORK ONLY

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hands" in other parts of the world.From the point of view of local interest, chief import-
ance in the week's events is attached to the jury's verdict
in the King Edward Hotel fire inquiry.The M.C.L. report will arouse the attention of all those
who, at any time, have been connected with the movement,
and there is the usual quota of "local" news.In the political sphere, Hankow has been "conquered"
by Chiang Kai-shek and the "Christian General" has caused
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CHINA & JAPAN

ANXIETY ABOUT SHANTUNG EVACUATION

PROMISE OF PROTECTION

Tsinan, Yesterday.
In spite of assurances by the
Japanese Consul-General here that
full protection will be accorded by
the Chinese after the withdrawal of
Japanese troops, Japanese residents,
at a meeting, have decided by a
large majority to evacuate all
women and children to Tsingtao on
April 17 and 18.For those unable to afford the
expense this entails, the Japanese
Residents' Association has provided
\$8,000 for travelling and \$7,000 for
living expenses at Tsingtao for one
month.It is believed the uneasiness is
caused by the alleged failure of
the Chinese authorities to deliver
a programme of their intentions
for preservation of peace and order
at Tsinan after the Japanese with-
drawal, delivery of which was
promised for April 3.—Reuter.

Other Issues

Nanking, Yesterday.
Informal conversations on the
Hankow and Nanking Incidents
were continued this morning be-
tween representatives of Dr. C. T.
Wang (the Chinese Foreign Minis-
ter) and the Japanese Minister,
Mr. K. Yoshizawa.It is reported that only one
point is left unsettled, and a settle-
ment is expected shortly.—Reuter.

MISSION SUFFERS

JUIKIN PROPERTY BURNED BY "REDS"

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Bishop O'Shea reports from Kan-
chow (in the south of Kiangsi pro-
vince) that Communist troops are
still active in Kiangsi, to the north
of Kwangtung.Mission property at Juikun has
been burned, and the Communists
are approaching Kanchow, which is
preparing for a siege, pending the
arrival of Government troops from
Nanchang, the capital of Kiangsi,
in the north of the province.—
Reuter.

DR. Y. C. J. YEN

LAUDS U. S. CO-OPERATION IN CHINA

New York City, April 5.
Dr. Y. C. James Yen, better
known to thousands of Americans
at home and in China as "Jimmy"
Yen and famous for his origination
of the "thousand character move-
ment" for educating the illiterate of
China's millions, spoke to-day over
an All Chinese national radio
broadcast.He described the Chinese mass
education movement and gave statis-
tics showing the rapidity with
which the movement has spread.
He declared that the people are
eager to learn.Dr. Yen praised American co-
operation and declared that the
people of the United States are true
friends of China."It seems the beginning of a new
renaissance," said he. "The com-
mon people are seeing the dawn of
a new civilisation in the East."
United Press.Four men, who are said to have
admitted being members of a large
gang of pirates operating along the
upper reaches of the Whangpoo,
have been arrested by the Water
Police near Kaohsiangmao and
sent to the Shanghai District Court
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Wire 131

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The following orders have been
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of the Volunteer Corps:—

Musketry

The Machine Gun Company
will fire Table "T" at Stonecutters
Range on Sunday.Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen
Hughes.Launch will leave Queen's Pier
at 9.10 a.m.Dress: Musketry Order, i.e.,
rifle, belt, bayonet, braces,
pouches or bandoliers. Uniform
or mufti optional.Arms will be drawn from Corps
Headquarters to-day between 9
a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m.,
or 5 and 6 p.m. and to-morrow
between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

—Musketry Cup

The following results of the
Annual Musketry Competition for
the Musketry Challenge Cup pre-
sented by The Commandant for
season 1928, is published for in-
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Units Competition Part II.

Machine Gun Co. 1st 64.90

Scottish Co. 2nd 70.70

Mounted Infantry Co. 3rd 64.70

Portuguese Co. 4th 62.60

Reserve Co. 5th 66.60

Engineer Co. 6th 66.46

Corps Signals 7th 64.62

Armoured Car Co. 8th 60.04

The Battery 9th 58.48

Corps average in Part II. 62.10

The Commandant offers his con-
gratulations to Captain E. J. R.
Mitchell and to his Company for
winning the Cup.The winning Company retain the
Cup for one year.

Corps Band

The Band will parade at Corps
Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Tuesday in mufti for Band Prac-
tice.

Mounted Infantry Co.

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Stables at 5.30 p.m. for mounted
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Rauba \$6.65 n

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Shanghai Docks \$121 1/2 b

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Ewo Cottons \$12.85 n

Oriental Cottons \$1.90 b

Shanghai Cottons (old) \$174 b

Shanghai Cottons (new) \$134 b

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H.K. & S. Hotels \$8.80 n

H.K. Lands \$68 n

Shanghai Lands \$171 b

Humphreys' Estates \$14.35 b

H.K. Realities \$8 1/4 n

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Prince's Buildings —

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Peak Trams (new) \$6.30 n

Star Ferries \$67 n

China Lights (comb.) —

China Lights (old) \$13 1/4 b 13.40 s

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China Lights 1928 issue —

H.K. Electrics (old) \$56 1/2 b

H.K. Electrics (new) \$56 1/4 b

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Sport Columns

FOOTBALL SHIELD SEMI-FINALS.

SATURDAY'S TIES

WILL PORTUGUESE TRIUMPH OVER KOWLOON?

PROSPECTS WEIGHED UP

[By "Rover"]

With the end of the season rapidly approaching and the League matches practically completed interest to-morrow centres on the semi-finals of the Shield which will be decided between the following Clubs:—

Senior Division
R.R. v. South China "A," Sookumpoo; referee, L.S.B.A. Atkinson, R.N.
Kowloon v. Club de Recreio, Sookumpoo; referee, M.A.A. Vosper, R.N.

Junior Division
Navy v. South China "A," Sookumpoo; referee, Mr. Stokes.
K.O.S.B. v. Chinese Athletic, Club ground; referee, Mr. Smith.

Junior League

In addition to the above there are three Junior League matches as follows:—

Somersets v. Eastern, Chatham-road; referee, Mr. Samy.
Kowloon v. Small Units, Kowloon P.C.; referee, Mr. Mose.

R.A. Club de Recreio, Caroline Hill; referee, Mr. Swallows.

The Shield, the blue riband of local "soccer," is the big event. The four Clubs engaged in the senior competition comprise two Kowloon Clubs and two Hong Kong Clubs, one of each will obviously be in the final so that we have an interesting final in store, with Kowloon as usual figuring in the final stages.

Kowloon, last year's champions, have this season again demonstrated that they are good Shield fighters. After struggling hard all the season with players gradually slipping away, to have "struck the course" again to get into the semi-final after a rather thin League season, is to the credit of the Club, who will make a good fight to retain the "Shield" which has rested so often at the Club premises in recent years.

In the "Recreio," Kowloon have worthy opponents. Coming fresh from their big Interport victory at Shanghai, the Recreio will make Kowloon go the whole way. The Recreio at full strength, which they are at present, are good enough to win the Shield, and as our Shield fighters as McKelvie's lads are, I am inclined to think "Cosano" and his lively team will check Kowloon's remarkable run of Shield successes, and enter the final. It should be a great match, hard going all the time, and with very little between the teams at the finish.

The other semi-final at the Club ground is also a big match. Although the R.A. have not done too well in the League, the position of Portsmouth in the English Cup and English League at present is an indication of the unreliability of League form as applied to knock-out competitions.

The R.A. are a good solid side although on the slow side, and in a game of contrasting styles, we ought to see a real good match.

South China are the surprise of local football this year. From the lowest position of the League last year, when they were the "wooden spoon" holders with only three wins to their credit, they have challenged the best and even now have an outside chance of the League championship. This has been achieved with practically the same team as last year and to be running both for the

League and Shield at this stage in the Football Season is "good going."

Both Clubs will be at full strength. I am inclined to think that if the loss is even, the Chinese will enter the final, but this is a Cup tie. Verb sap!

The Junior Shield matches are interesting and will act as curtain raisers for the senior matches.

The Navy should beat South China at Sookumpoo as they are little below Senior strength. The K.O.S.B. should again beat the Chinese Athletic as on former occasions, although both matches should be keen.

We shall probably see a Service final and as both teams are leading the League table in a great fight for the Championship with the Navy looking probable winners, this final, if it does come off, should be a real one.

The Second Division League matches, with the leading Clubs all engaged in the Shield, are not of much interest. The Somersets, Kowloon, and the R.A. should all improve their positions.

The Police are soon to lose a sturdy half-back in Mr. A. E. Brittain, who will be leaving the Colony to-morrow on the s.s. "Naldra" on a short holiday. He has always been a tower of strength at smashing up attacks on the Police goal, and has invariably played a sound defensive game. Mr. Brittain, it will be remembered, went up to Shanghai a few seasons ago, as a reserve in the Hong Kong Interport eleven; although he did not play in the big game, he turned out against the United Services, and gave a creditable display.

A SCRAPPY GAME

Chinese Athletic Defeat the R.A.

Chinese Athletic by a victory over the Royal Artillery have drawn level with the Somersets L.F. at the top of the League table. Both teams have yet a match to play, the Somersets against South China (also in the running for the Championship) and the Athletic versus the Hong Kong Football Club.

Yesterday's games in both divisions of the Hong Kong League resulted as under:—

Division I

Chinese Athletic 1; R.A. 0.

Division II

R.A. 4; Athletic 0.

With a ground that did not suit either team particularly well, Chinese Athletic defeated the Royal Artillery in a scrappy game by a goal to nil. The winners played the better football, but it was not until well on the second half that Suen Kum-shun netted for them. Fouls were frequent and an incident occurred early in play which resulted in one of the soldiers being ordered off the field.

R.A. v. Athletic

By four goals to nil the R.A. Reserves defeated the Athletic on the latter's ground. The going was heavy. The Gunners led by two goals to nil at the interval. After the resumption two more goals were netted.

AMENDED TABLES

First Division	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Somersets	19	12	4	3	52	17	28
Athletic	19	12	4	3	41	22	28
S. China	19	12	2	5	36	24	26
K.O.S.B.	20	11	3	6	48	26	25
Police	20	10	3	7	25	22	23
Royal Navy	19	10	1	8	42	27	21
Recreio	20	7	6	7	29	27	20
K.O.S.B.	17	5	3	9	41	41	13
R.A.F.C.	18	4	10	22	40	12	12
R.A.	19	6	0	13	22	41	12
Small Units	20	1	0	19	14	76	2

(Continued on Next Column.)

ALL DAY SOCCER

FINAL PLAYED IN A DRIZZLE

NO POLICE PROTECTION!

In spite of a slight drizzle, the final of the Street Soccer Shield competition was played at the main hour yesterday.

The finalists were the Caine-road Cockspurs who defeated the Glenely Gladiators by 25-24, and the Wyndham Whizz-bangs who accounted for the Hollywood Hard-kickers in the other semi-final by 30-16.

In finding themselves in the final the Cockspurs have to thank the Portuguese office for his unexpected assistance on Tuesday when he netted the winning goal for them.

This goal was under dispute, but the League officials decided that it should stand. The reason for this is that the League had been long drawn out already, and they did not wish to take up more time in a replay.

It might be mentioned here that the Glenely Gladiators whose ground, in spite of it being uphill, is the best at the disposal of the League and all teams have shown a partiality for playing their matches on this ground.

One drawback, however, is that the Gladiators hold this ground jointly with the Beggars' Brigade, who use it as a camping ground, the F.R., are keen to hold their annual camp before the really hot weather sets in, and are already grumbling that the long drawn out Shield competition had delayed their camp this year.

"Uncivil" Pedestrians

Again due to the lack of attention on the part of the C.S.P., there was no policeman on duty at yesterday's final match, and the game was marred by many stoppages due to many uncivil chair coolies and pedestrians insisting on crossing the ground whilst the match was in progress.

Undoubtedly, Glenely is the shortest route to Caine-road and levels "more high," but all the same the League officials consider that these kill sports should detour via Garden-road.

The match was very interesting. In the first half the Cockspurs scored 16 goals to their opponents' 9, and they looked like easy winners, but when players were counted it was found that the Whizz-bangs were at a disadvantage, having 29 players to their opponents' 34.

At the resumption the Whizz-bangs were reinforced by 10 extra players drawn from amongst their "rooters," and soon they were able to wipe out their deficit, and ten minutes from time actually led by 29 goals to 27.

Play became exciting at this stage and it was a hard ding-dong struggle until more of the Cockspurs' supporters arrived on the field. They immediately entered the fray and, with the assistance of these fresh men, the Cockspurs managed to turn almost certain defeat into victory.

Blucher Still Alive!

With 47 players to the Whizz-bangs' 39, the Cockspurs were all over their rivals, and when the game ended they were the victors by 34 goals to 31. The game was a regular Waterloo, the tide turning continuously until the last five minutes the timely arrival of Blucher cancelled matters for the Cockspurs.

The presentation of the Shield will take place at a date to be fixed later—as soon as the holders, the Glenely Gladiators, can raise the fund to redeem the trophy

from the safe custody of Uncle Lombard.

"Sore" With the C.S.P.

It is understood that at first it was the intention of the League officials to invite the C.S.P. to present the shield to the winners, but they are now "sore" at his indifference in not sending one of his subordinates to keep the public from encroaching on the field at such an important match as the final.

Therefore they have decided to snub him by giving the honour to the Director of the Cane Wielding Department of the Central Magistracy, on the condition that he will agree to leave his cane at home!

In conversation with a "China Mail" man after the match yesterday, the President of the League, who was almost in tears when speaking about the C.S.P.'s lack of interest, said that he and those connected with the League would not have taken it so much to heart for the fact that the C.S.P. is the Patron of the Street Boys' Club (honourably mentioned by His Excellency on Wednesday afternoon), and as nearly all the League officials and players are either present, past or prospective members of the Club, they expected a little more consideration.

The League table is appended:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Caine-road Cockspurs	5	5	0	0	230	172	10
Wyndham Whizz-bangs	5	4	1	0	205	183	8
Glenely Gladiators	5	3	1	1	196	208	7
Hollywood Hard-kickers	5	2	2	1	160	310	5
Robinson Roughnecks	5	1	4	0	106	384	2
Ice-house Icicles	5	0	5	0	60	563	0

The Icicles, who are used to Polar temperature, were greatly handicapped on account of the heat; although they always started a match with plenty of dash the sun usually melted them away before many minutes had elapsed. The Beggars' Brigade went into camp at Glenely this morning and forthwith held a Field day exploring the vicinity of their camp with apparent success.

CRICKET

CLUB'S ELEVEN AGAINST "THE REST"

The teams selected to represent the H.K.C.C. as winners of the First and Second Divisions of the Leagues, respectively, against the Rest of the League, to-morrow are as follows:—

1st XI (on H.K.C.C. ground):
H. R. B. Hancock (Captain), A. C. I. Bowker, A. G. Dobbie, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. W. Hayward, O. Moor, H. Owen Hughes, H. V. Parker, E. K. Quick, V. W. L. Stanion, and C. D. Wales.

2nd XI (on C.R.C. ground):
A. H. Gillingham (Captain), H. J. Armstrong, G. E. R. Divett, R. H. Dowler, E. R. Duckitt, H. L. F. Ewin, W. A. H. Maxwell, A. Reid, J. A. Summers, W. K. Tait, and S. M. Walkinshaw.

LAWN TENNIS

OPEN SINGLES FINAL MAY BE PLAYED TO-DAY

The rain yesterday caused a postponement of the finals of the Open Singles Championship, the Mixed Doubles and the Handicap Doubles. All three matches will be played to-day if the weather is favourable in order that the tournament may be concluded and the prizes presented after the Open Doubles Championship on Monday evening.

The matches for to-day are:—
Open Singles Championship: S. A. Ramjahn v. M. W. Lo.
Handicap Mixed Doubles: S. E. Green and Miss Heard (owe 15) v. L. L. Smith and Mrs. Smith (owe 4/6).
Handicap Doubles: O.E.C. Marton and H. Owen Hughes (owe 15/1) v. H. J. Armstrong and J. G. Lawrie (owe 4/6).

GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR PLAYERS ON SUNDAY

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for Sunday:—
9.24 to 10 a.m.—Club v. United Services.

10.04 a.m.	J. Gardner, N. S. Ellis.
10.08	Major Beamish, A. Leach.
10.12	F. M. Ellis, D. J. Gilmore.
10.16	J. P. Warren, E. D. Black.
10.20	J. S. Dykes, A. R. Cox.
10.24	E. P. Fletcher, W. A. Weight.
10.28	W. C. Clark, A. G. Coppin.
10.32	A. D. Humphreys, G. W. Sewell.
10.36	N. K. Littlejohn, A. O. Brown.
10.40	W. K. Tait, G. S. Drummond.
10.44	H. N. Laver, A. Piercy.
10.48	H. R. Sturt, J. W. Alabaster.
10.52	D. Stewart, C. Baker.
10.56	I. H. Geare, C. T. Fowle.
11.00	K. L. Dugan, E. D. Lawrence.
11.04	L. Garner, P. J. Jacks.
11.08	D. S. Edwards, G. B. S. Thomson.
11.12	W. J. S. Key, C. J. Waddell.
11.16	C. Fox, S. S. Perry.
11.20	C. E. Holmes, T. L. Christie.
11.24	S. F. Chubb, B. J. Lacon.
11.28	J. E. Dovey, T. A. Martin.

Note:—There is no 9.8 train. The 8.30 from Kowloon arrives at 9.07 and the 9.15 from Kowloon arrives at 10.15.

Mr. W. Blackwell, Controller, Posts and Telegraphs, Negri Sembilan and Malacca, is spending a short holiday at Fraser's Hill prior to going home on furlough. His successor, Mr. R. E. Caradine, has arrived at Seremban from Ipoh.

The wedding took place at the church of St. Andrew, Muar, recently of Mr. N. A. Hannay, of the Government English School, Muar, and Miss N. Trutwein, the Rev. Fr. A. Francois officiating. A reception was later held at the residence of Dr. H. L. Carvalho. After the reception the couple motored down to the Riviera, Johore, where the honeymoon is being spent.

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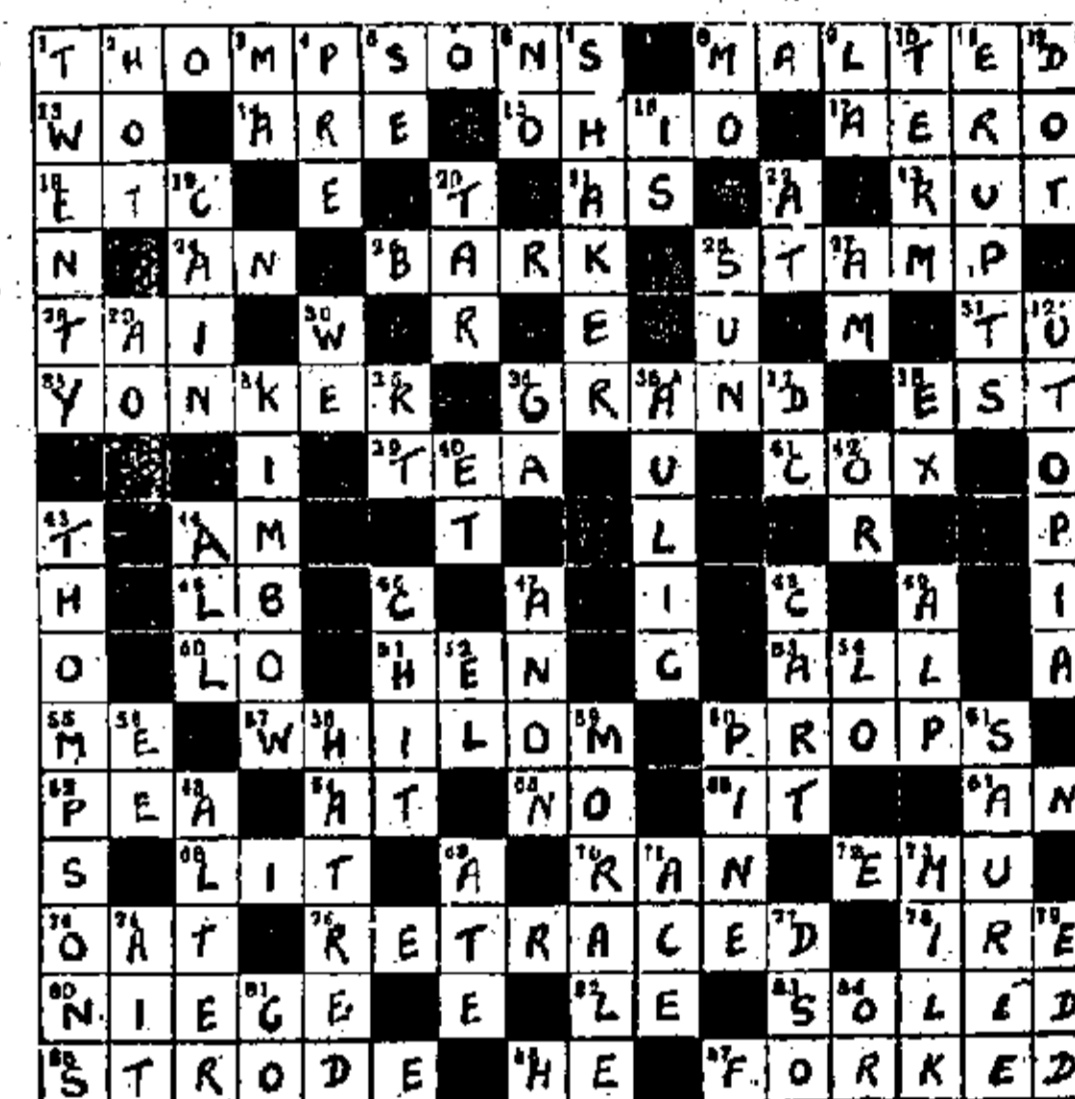
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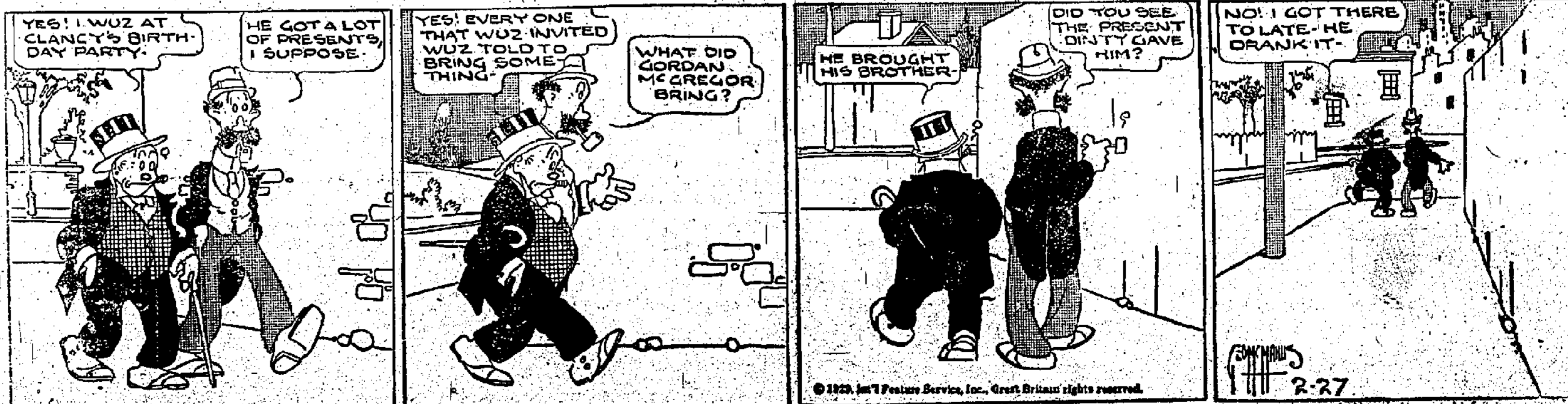
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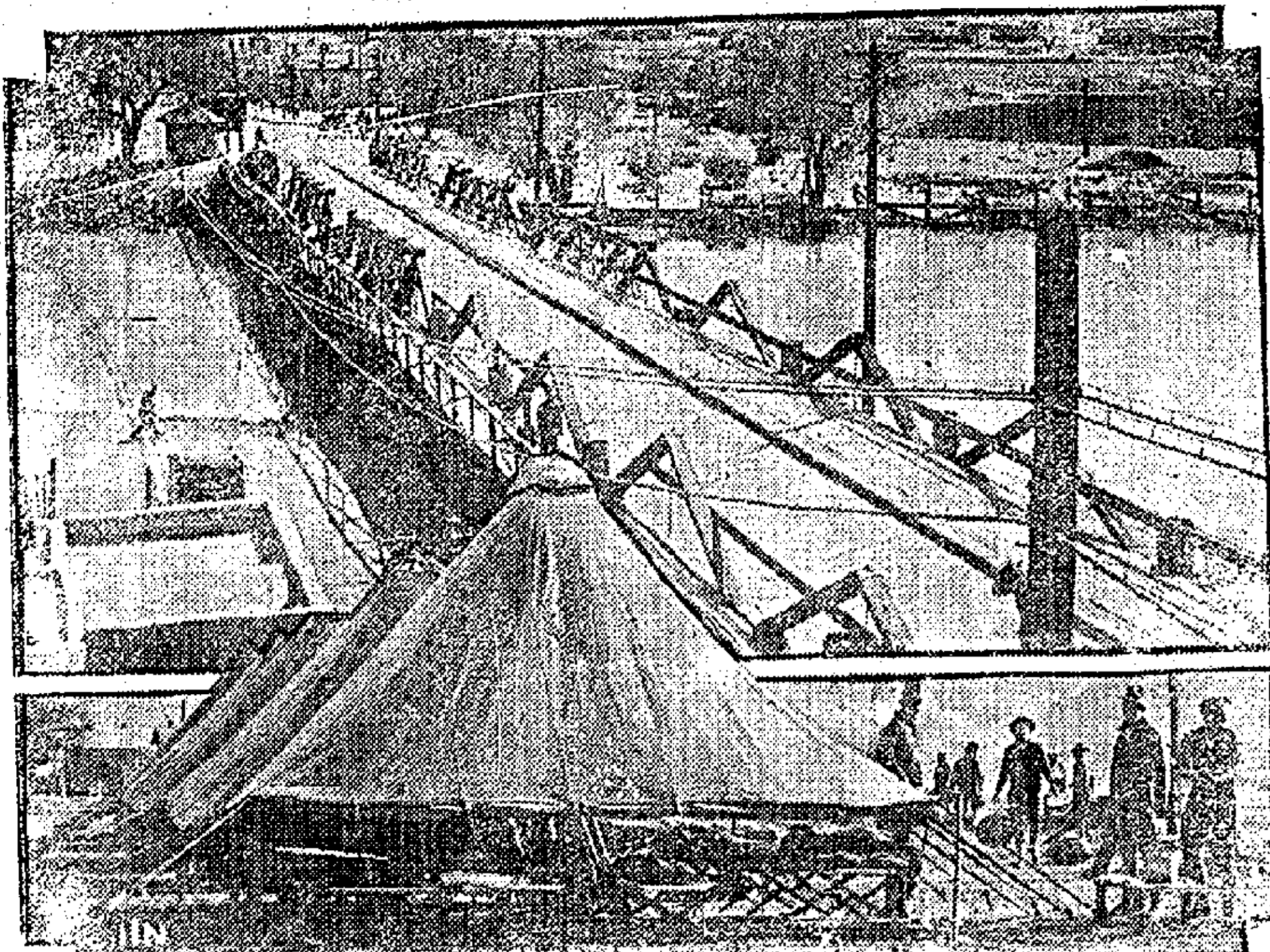
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Hawaii's Next Chief



Lawrence M. Judd of Honolulu is being named as the next Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, to replace Governor Wallace R. Farrington.

War on Mexican Border



The famous international bridge, top, which joins El Paso, Texas, with Juarez, Mexico, may soon be the scene of American troops' activity should rebel bullets fall on American soil. This scene of years ago, when the Twenty-ninth Infantry guarded the historic bridge, may be repeated unless the warring troops in Mexico carefully confine their bloodshed to the southern side of the border.

Caught in Revolution

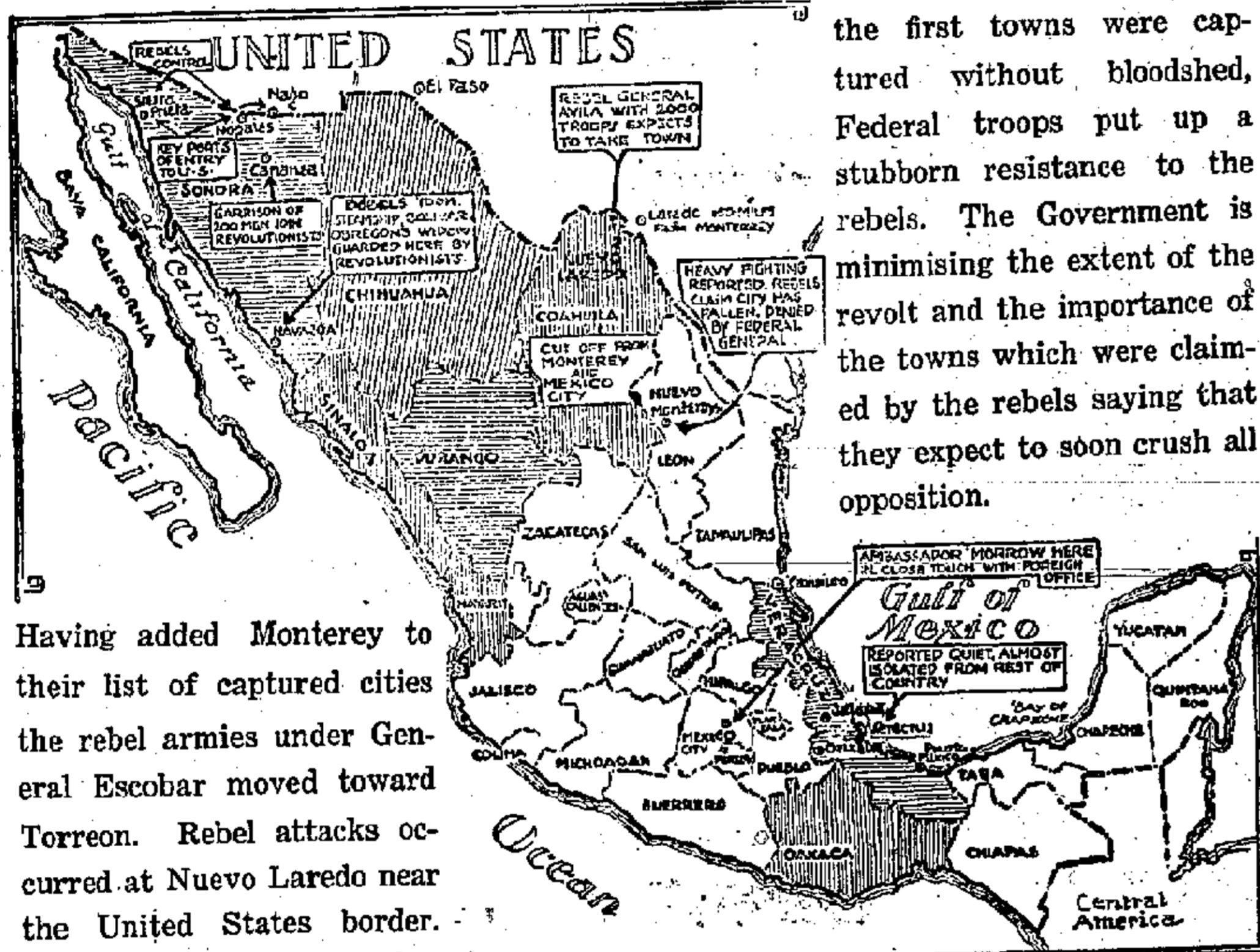


The American Consul at Hermosillo, Mexico, was recently urged to search for Ed Koehler, American aviator, and an unidentified passenger who, it was believed, were detained by revolutionists in an attempt to force Koehler to fly for them.

Keeping America Out



Mexican hostilities at Juarez threatened to involve the action of U.S. troops across the border according to the action of Brig.-General Van Horn Moseley (above) who, accompanied by staff officers, went into Juarez to confer with General Mangu Ramos, the new leader of Mexican Federal troops.



Having added Monterey to their list of captured cities the rebel armies under General Escobar moved toward Torreon. Rebel attacks occurred at Nuevo Laredo near the United States border. Contrary to the action when

the first towns were captured without bloodshed, Federal troops put up a stubborn resistance to the rebels. The Government is minimising the extent of the revolt and the importance of the towns which were claimed by the rebels saying that they expect to soon crush all opposition.

Mexico Torn By Revolt



Upper left: These troops, the Presidential guard in Mexico City, remained loyal in the midst of the chaos of revolution below the border. Lower left: Although not uniformed impressively, these troops fought loyally against the revolutionary hosts marching on the Mexican capital. Right: General Villareal, once a Presidential candidate, joined the revolutionists and recently seized Monterrey, industrial capital of Nuevo Leon, 150 miles from Laredo, Texas.

Free on Parole



Thomas W. Miller, former alien property custodian, convicted of conspiring to defraud the Government in the handling of confiscated German property, is free on a parole granted by Attorney-General Sargent a few hours before the latter was succeeded in office by William D. Mitchell.

Monterey Retaken



General Andrew Ahnagan is looked upon as the "Napoleon" of Mexico. His recapture of Monterey, capital of Nuevo Leon, was one of the greatest successes of the Federal troops.

Fleet Commander



Admiral William V. Pratt, native of Maine, one of the naval experts who accompanied the late President Wilson to Paris, becomes Commander-in-Chief of the United States fleet in the first of several changes under the new Hoover administration.

Mexican Rebel Leader



General Marcelo Caraveo, Governor of Chihuahua, struck a severe blow to the Mexican Government when he announced his state in revolt. His troops joined the rebels in the fighting around Juarez.

Has Care of President



The health of President Hoover is in the hands of Lieut. Commander Joel T. Boone, medical officer aboard the Presidential yacht "Mayflower" since 1922. He will serve the President as personal physician, succeeding Col. James F. Coupal, former President Coolidge's physician, in the White House.

Flying Bricklayer



From flying to bricklaying and back again to flying is William Pellegrini's motto. Formerly an Italian army flier and now a member of the Bricklayers' Union, William is planning a flight from New York to Berlin, financed by the union.

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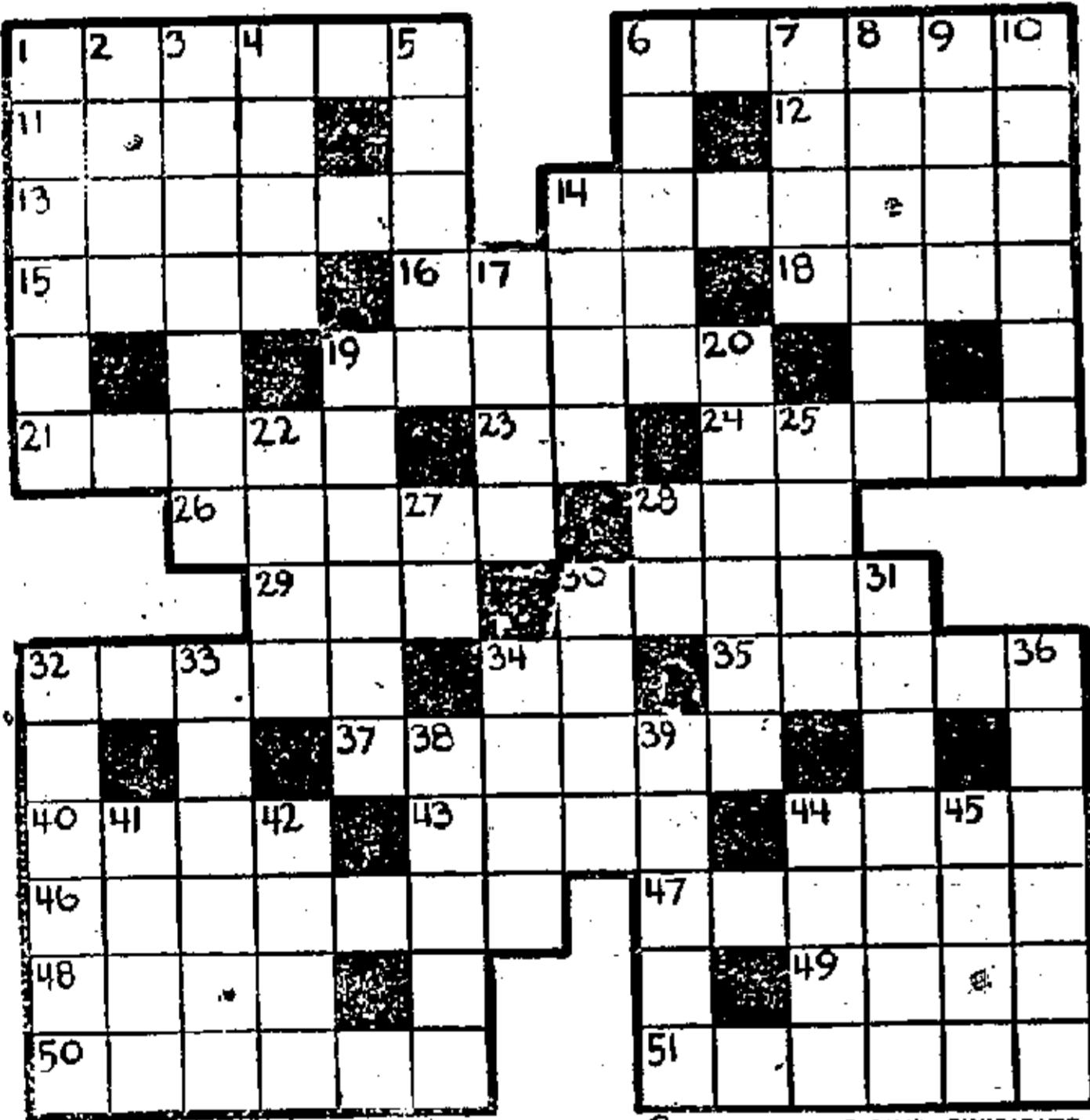
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-A hooded coat
- 6-Composed of eight
- 11-To border on
- 12-A heated chamber for baking
- 13-Girded with a belt
- 14-A large island of Denmark
- 15-Too
- 16-Wide mouthed pitcher
- 18-Musical stringed instrument
- 19-The mount on which the Ark rested
- 21-Fully satisfied
- 23-To execute
- 24-Following in time
- 28-Apparatus as if moved
- 28-Malt drink
- 29-Constellation
- 30-Greek letter
- 32-A force of men
- 34-Compass point (abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 35-Coolness
- 37-Intersecting a river
- 40-A Latvian
- 43-A valley (poet)
- 44-Identical
- 45-A caps Greece
- 47-More concealed
- 48-Playing card (pl.)
- 49-An Amalekite king (Bib.)
- 50-A monkey common in India
- 51-A cure

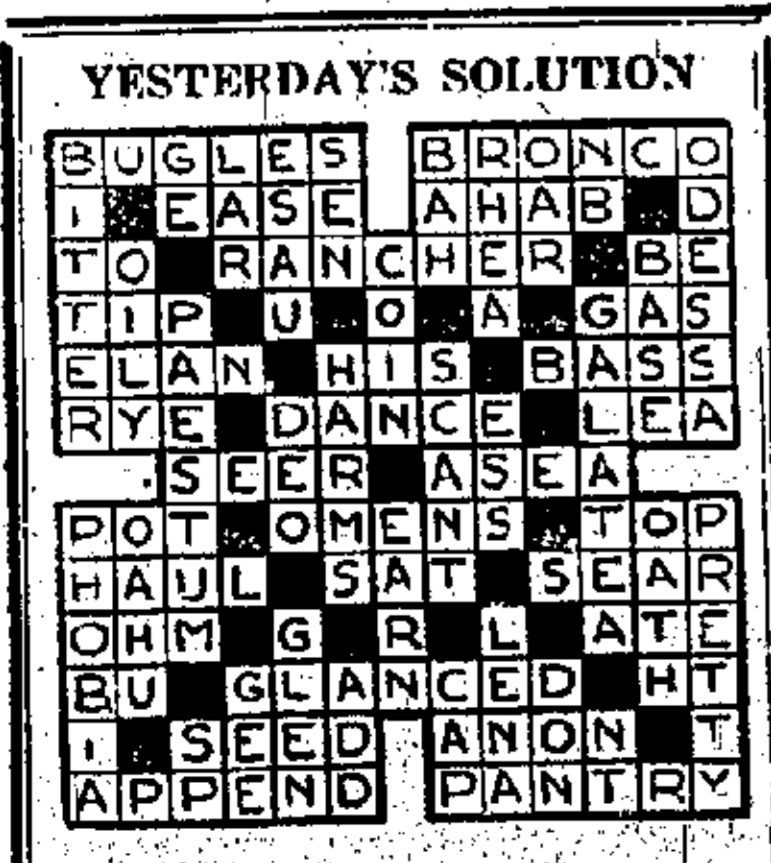
VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-To pass through, as a river
- 19-Loves
- 20-Ability
- 22-Time period (pl.)
- 25-A festival
- 27-One of the continents (abbr.)
- 28-Interjection
- 30-A river-duck
- 31-To put in order
- 32-Fertaining to the palm
- 33-A long seat with a back
- 34-To scrutinize
- 35-Force
- 38-An American admiral
- 39-Not at any time
- 41-Every
- 42-Drinking cup (Sect.)
- 44-A country of S. E. Asia
- 45-A beverage

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will clue others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares, and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)



The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce (Shanghai) has addressed a letter to Mr. E. Y. P. Kiang, counsel for Mr. K. S. Zee, former general secretary of the Chamber, stating that the suit brought against Mr. Zee was instituted by the new treasurer and not by the Chamber, which found, after investigation, that Mr. Zee had embezzled no public moneys and that before resigning from the Chamber's service, he rendered a satisfactory statement of his accounts. So far as the Chamber is concerned, Mr. Zee's character is perfectly clean.

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GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS

[By Cecil B. DeMille.]

If I close my eyes during any current discussion of talking pictures I feel myself transported at once back to the days when I entered motion pictures in 1914. With my eyes closed from evidences that the world has progressed and gone ahead, I hear directed against talkies the same arguments which were used against original movies 15 years ago. Now, as then, people said, "They're just an experiment,"



Sue Carol.

"They're a passing fancy," "They'll never be popular."

Let me say to you that talking pictures are neither an experiment nor a passing fancy. They are here to stay. Ten years from now there may be a greater or lesser percentage of "talkies" than we imagine today—but there will be talkies—and marvelously better talkies than we have today.

Not A Fancy

The world moves—and moving pictures move with it. Talking pictures are a unit in the industry's progress and one to be welcomed. Personally, of course, I wish they had come 14 years earlier. After years of effort we had built our "silent" technique to a high point—and now we have to readjust all of our ideas! Arrived at the top of the mountain, we are thrown to the bottom—there to start our ascent again!

The foremost requirement of an actor in talking pictures will still be—personality. Right now we are trying to prevent some of our younger film actors from overdoing this business of special vocal lessons. There is danger that these players will be so stripped of their individuality that they will all sound alike.

The Vocal Habit

If a player has a bad personal vocal habit, or distressing inflection, he should, of course, correct it. But if he or she has a squeaky voice—and if that voice an integral part of the player's personality—most certainly it should not be altered.

A large number of the "stars" are able to give a marvellous demonstration of charm through personality.

Charming Personality

This matter of charm through personality is the reason why but comparatively few of our movie-trained actors will be forced out

through the coming of the "talkies." Except in those cases where players have grown lazy and allowed their voices and their diction to deteriorate, most of our screen players are doing splendidly in taking pictures. For years they have been pleasing the public with their personalities without vocalisation. The coming of the voice has meant to most of them just another medium by which they can catch and hold public approval.

In the field of direction I think those of the profession who have had both stage and screen experience will respond more easily to the changes. There is an interesting blending of the two techniques. For instance, the stage director never needs to consider the question of dialogue out of doors. To the "talkie" director that is one of the advantages of this new medium. In my own new picture, "Dynamite," I have an exciting interchange of dramatic conversation between my two women principals while they are engaged in a strenuous athletic contest. This would have been impossible in the silent drama, also on the stage.

New Pathways Opened
To me, the sound film opens up many new pathways. It makes possible the use of stories which previously were not suitable for either stage or screen. An example of this is "The Five O'Clock Girl" which James Gleason wrote for Marion Davies. The centre of the plot is the calling of a girl by a boy every day at five o'clock. They do not know each other. Their courtship is brought to the peak by 'phone—before they ever meet. This situation would have been impossible to silent films, because we could not give enough space to titles to carry enough of the dialogue. It would have been impractical for the stage, because you could hear only one side of the conversation. It is wonderful in talkies—for you can hear



Lila Lee

both sides of the conversation—and see both persons!

We are opening a great new era of the motion picture. No one can tell its future. Certainly I never dreamed in December, 1913, that motion pictures would have attained their present height within 16 years. Therefore I don't venture even to guess what the "talkies" will become. I only know that they are a great new force—and that they will make motion pictures better because they are stirring all creative mentality to new action and to new effort. High and hard competition such as we are now enjoying is the best possible incentive to extraordinary creative work—"Christian Science Monitor."



R. HEATON GREY. — Of the Barnyard English Comedy Co., at the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon.

KINGS OF MIRTH

"LOST AT THE FRONT" AT THE MAJESTIC

LAUGHS APLENTY

A comedy is always one of the most difficult pictures to review adequately, because of necessity most of the dramatic rules are put aside. The laugh is the thing and everything works toward that end.

"Lost at the Front," which was screened for the first time last night at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, with George Sidney and Charlie Murray co-starred, intrigued the present interviewer because of its novelty. Such things as the radio invention that was supposed to aid Germany to win the war, the efforts of a New York "cop" to get it away from his friend, Krause, the saloon keeper; their adventures in Russia with the women's Battalion of Death; their experiences in the trenches and their efforts to escape dressed as peasant women, form a series of exuberantly funny episodes.

Sidney and Murray are twin kings of mirth. They have the knack of gaining laughs by all methods—from slapstick to pure characterisation. Del Lord directed the picture; he has been an ace director with Mack Sennett. Frank Griffin wrote the photoplay which is presented by John McCormick for First National Pictures. All the way through it meets the public's approval 100 per cent.

That's all that is necessary. No need to go into detail as to any features aside from the laughs and they are there aplenty.

We must not forget the good work of pretty Natalie Kingston, in the feminine lead as a Russian sculptress. She is one of the Baby Stars for 1927, chosen by the Whampas, famous Hollywood organisation of movie writers.

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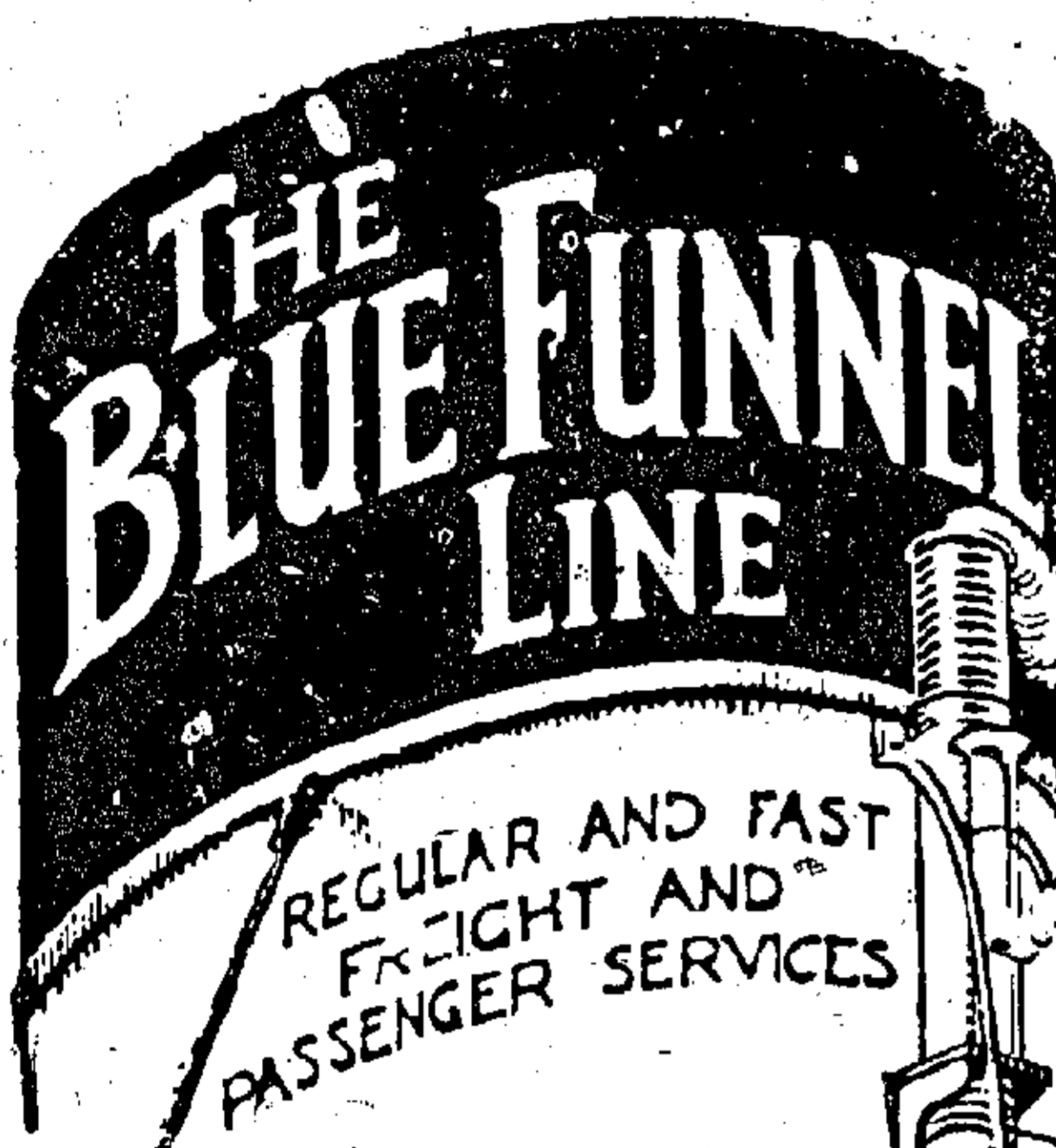
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"OUT OF ORDER"

INDIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND PUBLIC SAFETY BILL.

THE BOMB OUTRAGE

New Delhi, Yesterday.

The Legislative Assembly re-assembled, and Mr. Patel ruled that the discussion of the Public Safety Bill was out of order.

After this he read a message from the Viceroy, who will address the House to-day.

Sir George Schuster occupied a seat in the Assembly, and Sir John and Lady Simon were present in the President's gallery.

Before giving his ruling Mr. Patel submitted a resolution recording the horror and indignation of the Assembly at the dastardly outrage of April 8, deeply sympathising with Sir Bomanji Dalal and the others injured, expressing profound relief that the results were not more serious, unreservedly condemning the outrage, and assuring the authorities of full support in such reasonable steps as may be necessary to prevent a recurrence.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Ruling

In delivering his ruling Mr. Patel said the Government statement on April 4 was a direct challenge to the Chair, and undermined its authority. The Law Member in quoting Parliamentary authority had left out an important sentence, namely it was "entirely within the discretion of the Chair whether it could submit a new point of order."

Mr. Patel was convinced a debate was impossible while the Meerut trial was pending. Such a debate would only be a farce and fraud. Mr. Patel claimed that the Speaker exercised his direct influence on Legislative action in the House. Power not to put a motion to the House was not expressly given, but accrued by implication and analogy, therefore he ruled that the Safety Bill was out of order.

This ruling was received very quietly.

[A new Delhi message of April 4 stated:

The Hon. Mr. James Crerar, who is officiating as Home Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council, announced in the Assembly to-day that the Government view of the rules was that the President of the Assembly, Mr. Patel, was not empowered to disallow discussion of the Public Safety Bill while the Meerut trials were in progress. Mr. Patel had

BRITAIN'S NATIONAL INCOME

HUGE FIGURES

WHAT THE COMMISSIONERS DISCLOSE

500-600 MILLIONAIRES

London, Yesterday.

A reduction in the national income is disclosed by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in their report for the year ended March 31.

The gross income, under review was estimated at £2,904,000,000, the lowest since 1913-14. This was reduced by exemptions and allowances to £1,300,000,000. The net produce was £228,000,000; being an average of 23.58d. on each pound of actual income—being the lowest for the last ten years.

The report also shows that there are between 500 and 600 millionaires in Great Britain. 299 people are in receipt of incomes between £50,000 and £75,000 a year and 79 people have incomes of between £75,000 and £100,000 while 147 people have incomes exceeding £100,000.

It is estimated that the number of individuals with total incomes above the exemption limit was 4,650,000, an increase of 150,000 on the preceding year. Of these 2,400,000 were entirely relieved from the tax by operations of abatements and allowances, leaving 2,250,000 chargeable with tax.—British Wireless Service.

re-introduced on April 2.]

Trades Dispute Bill

The Council of State has passed without change the Trades Dispute Bill, which the Assembly passed on April 8.

The measure was prepared by the Government of India, based on sections of the British trade union legislation, establishing a court of enquiry composed of disinterested persons to investigate disputes, also a joint conciliation board, and laying down penalties for stoppage of work by employees of public utility services on monthly wages, also persons fostering strikes and lockouts to coerce the Government or having any object other than furtherance of a trade dispute within an industry in which the disputants are directly engaged.

The opposition in the Legislative Assembly urged a postponement of the Bill until publication of the report of the Whitley Commission enquiring into labour conditions.—Reuter.

POLICE DESERTER

WENT TO MOTHER'S FUNERAL IN 1927

UNLUCKY RETURN

Wong Tsun (24), described as unemployed and living at No. 41, Castle Peak-road, was yesterday arrested as a deserter from the Police Force.

The man, a native of Waichow, was produced before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning. His Police number was given on the charge sheet as C317.

Divisional Inspector Clark, who prosecuted, said that at the time of his desertion accused was under contract to serve in the Force for five years. He joined the Force on June 6, 1926, and deserted on November 12, 1927. At the time of his desertion accused was stationed at No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai.

The Police arrested him yesterday on the Hong Kong wharf of the Shamshui ferry.

Accused, who admitted the offence, was asked why he deserted and said that it was due to the death of his mother in the country. He wanted to attend the funeral and so went without asking for leave.

A fine of £100, or two months' imprisonment, was passed.

D. B. S. SPEECH DAY

AN ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMME IF WET

A reminder may be given of the sports and speech day at the Diocesan Boys' School to-morrow afternoon.

If it happens to be wet, there is ample room indoors in the hall, the covered playground and play rooms and an alternative programme has been arranged, which will be:—

Band on stage of the hall, 3.15 to 4.15 p.m.

Ice skating, 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Band in gallery of hall, 4.30 to 5 p.m.

THEFT FROM STEAMER

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with the theft of a bundle of clothing on board the s.s. "Chung On," it was proved that he was banished from the Straits in 1913 and was also sent away from here in 1918, but the term of his banishment had already expired.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed.

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